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Power with
Power**

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FLQ Lawyer Lemieux

by MICHAEL BAKUNIN

Just as Black people in the United States cannot get any economic, social or political justice out of the system, neither can Quebecers get any kind of justice out of their establishment. So the Quebecers want to trade in their establishment and form an economic community and a government that is representative of themselves. The Blacks in the U.S. have the Black Panthers to help them deal with the Fascists; the Quebecers have the FLQ.

WHAT HAPPENED?

On Monday, October 5, British Trade Commissioner to Canada James (Jasper) Cross was kidnapped from his home by the Front de Liberation du Quebec (FLQ).

In the hours that followed Cross' abduction several communiques from the FLQ were received by a privately-owned French radio station, CKLM. Each of the communiques listed or elaborated on seven political demands to be met in order to obtain freedom for the diplomat. The seven political demands are briefly:

- 1) the cessation of the police investigation;
- 2) the reading of the FLQ political Manifesto over CBC French network and its appearance on the front page of every major Quebec newspaper;
- 3) the release of 23 political prisoners;
- 4) a plane to fly the prisoners to either Cuba or Algeria;
- 5) the reinstatement of the revolutionary workers of La Palme;
- 6) \$500,000 in gold bullion to be placed upon the plane to Cuba or Algeria; and
- 7) that the identity of an FLQ informer be made public.

Cross was kidnapped not only for the seven demands made public by the establishment's news media, but also because political abductions have become the new tactic in the urban guerrilla warfare against imperialism in Quebec. Now the people responsible for the oppression of Quebecers will have to pay for every action they take against the people.

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step ahead of them and 15 minutes after Quebec Justice Minister Choquette rejected the FLQ's political demands on T.V., Quebec Labour Minister Pierre Laporte was kidnapped.

Laporte's abduction is particularly ironic for him because just an hour before he had been instrumental in the decision condemning Cross to death. He thought so little of Cross' life that he was out playing football with his sons when his kidnapping occurred. Soon afterward he was writing a letter pleading for the government to give in to the FLQ demands and thus save HIS life.



Suburban home of Montreal mayor Jean Drapeau after September, 1969 bombing by the FLQ.

The FLQ is also giving an example of how they value the lives of their comrades, by struggling to free them from prison.

Unlike the power structure, who probably put a money value on the life of the British Trade Commissioner and decided he was not worth their effort, the FLQ has demonstrated its respect for the lives of its prisoners by extending the execution deadlines many times. Meanwhile, the power structure, in total disregard for the well-being of the prisoners, goes on madly with the largest police operation of its type in history, knowing that if the operation is successful the prisoners will meet instant death.

James Cross was singled out by the FLQ because he is a symbol of the economic, social, and political English-imperialism of which Quebec has been a victim for hundreds of years.

The establishment, with its blood-stained hands, does not dare give in to the FLQ demands because the FLQ has so much popular support among Quebecers that to give in might cause the present government to collapse. The FLQ has been historically responsible for getting the independent Quebec movement really rolling.

When the FLQ's lawyer, Robert Lemieux, was telling it like it is to the people of Quebec over the news media, the government decided to put him in chains on trumped-up charges of obstructing Justice — by telling the truth???

Unfortunately for the government, the FLQ were one

The second kidnapping has strengthened the FLQ's hand considerably and made the speedy release of Lemieux a necessity for the government because he has been named a negotiator by the FLQ.

Presently, the government has been given three alternatives by the FLQ:

- 1) reject all the political demands and both prisoners will be executed;
- 2) free the political prisoners and give them safe passage to Cuba or Algeria and Cross will be freed, Laporte will die; or
- 3) grant all the political demands and both Cross and Laporte will be freed.

BRIEF BACKGROUND

The Front du Liberation Quebecois (FLQ) was founded out of the needs of the French-Canadian people (Quebecois) to break their slave chains. The French-Canadians are the niggers of Canada, to be more precise, the WHITE NIGGERS, because, as shown by the Federal Government's report on "Bilingualism and Biculturalism," clearly the French-Canadians live on a much lower existence level than the English-Canadian and, for that matter, even lower than most immigrant groups. Just 3 years ago a very close friend of mine (American by nationality) was flying from Chicago to Toronto. A sweet, elderly lady sitting next to my friend decided to open up a friendly conversation just

to pass the time. After a few words were said to break the ice, the sweet, elderly Canadian lady (from Ontario) asked my friend what he thought of the recent race riots. My friend mentioned his sadness about the whole situation.

Then the sweet old lady said, "But you know, we in Canada have similar problems."

"How's that?" my friend asked.

"Well, you Americans have your Negroes, and we in Canada have our French-Canadians."

What is unfortunate about the elderly lady's comment is that in my travels throughout Canada I have encountered damned too many people with more or less that same opinion. Fortunately though, young English speaking Canadians seem to have transcended their parents' stupidity and are more willing to treat French-Canadians as equals. Of course, the acceptance of this equality means the acceptance of Quebecers as masters of their own house, and that means the existence of Quebec as a separate nation.

To better understand the problems of Quebec, it is a big help to live there. The Establishment's media have tried to inform English-Canada's population of the problems related to Quebec's independence. But, as anyone who reads both the English-Canadian and the French-Canadian press knows, the English-Canadian media covers these issues only one-sidedly, in the interests of foreign big businesses (English-Canadian, English, and more specifically, American). All forms of governments (municipal and provincial) in Quebec have completely sold out to those people (bloodsucking business interests) who do not even live in Quebec.

The Quebecers have several organizations working for freedom. And, contrary to what the establishment's media might try to imply, there are harmonious relations among all these groups, in spite of their particular philosophies.

The Parti Quebecois plays the establishment's game (they want just a token independence; they want to be the foreman of the factory plant but not on the Board of Directors). They are the sell-out party (not wanting to change the corrupt establishment, they just want to have a share in the present corruption). For example: how can you have Quebec independence while American monopolies own and control all of Quebec? This is the situation today in Quebec and the Parti Quebecois (P.Q.) wants more of this. In spite of this, English-Canadians are super-paranoid about the P.Q., as shown in the provincial elections of a few months ago in which the English-Canadian power structure did a number of repressive things not covered by the establishment's media.

On the other hand, the FLP (Front du Liberation Populaire) goes about the process of liberation through demonstrations and similar tactics, to work up to the final physical confrontation: armed revolution.

Finally we come to that notorious clan that always comes back with popular demand, the FLQ. The FLQ's technique can possibly be described as Psychological Warfare. They have modelled their type of revolution after the successful tactics used in the Algerian Revolution. By bombing strategic institutions and symbols, the Algerian vanguard showed the rest of the subjugated Algerians that they can strike back at the oppressing foreign establishment and cripple it. The Algerian people were successful in freeing themselves from their slavemasters (the French). The Quebecers are showing the rest of the world that they too can successfully deal with their slavemasters (English-Canadian, English, and American business giants). There are many, many organizations in Quebec working for Quebec independence, but they are too numerous to mention here.

Up until last year, it could safely be said that the FLP was the spokesman of the FLQ, but during last winter there were rumors that that was going to change and that they would be doing their own talking, as we saw this past week by their forcing the French CBC radio station in Montreal to read over the air their manifesto. Also during last winter (1969-1970), the rumor was that the FLQ was going to stop bombing and work on new tactics, as is plainly visible by the recent kidnappings. One of the reasons for the change in tactics is because the freedom of Quebec is coming ever closer, and they want to make sure that free Quebec will be a nation for its people (Socialist) and not for a small ruling class (as it is now), be they Quebecers or a foreign ruling class. The establishment is planning a token (a sellout) independence for Quebec, contrary to the wishes of the people.

Some of the structures which were bombed are: the Montreal Stock Exchange, the house of the millionaire Bronfman, and other public parasites who become rich out of exploiting other people. The popularity of the FLQ is everywhere to be seen. Their initials are painted throughout Quebec, on buildings, walls, on anything imaginable. On institutions that are exploiting the general public, signs are painted in French saying, "The FLQ shall venge itself on you," or "This shall be victim building #80," etc. And the funny thing of it is that none of these slogans are written by any of the official members of the FLQ, but by all sorts of people: teenie-boppers, workers, students, FLQ aspirants — you name it. In student demonstrations, "FLQ shall be victorious," is shouted in unison by all — even spectators. Many, many, if not most Quebecers, no matter how conservative, will in private admit that they dig the outcome of the actions of the FLQ. The outcome being a free Quebec. But of course in public they will not make such statements. The FLQ and most Quebecers want to continue relationships with English-Canada and the USA, but only on terms beneficial to the majority of Quebec's people.

Abortions

by GRATTON GRAY

While doctors, hospitals and church groups refuse to carry out the spirit of Canada's "reformed" abortion law, help is not available for those who need it desperately — the uninformed, the overwhelmed, and the economically underprivileged women who have accidentally become pregnant.

Dominion Bureau of Vital Statistics reports that in the first three months of 1970 only 235 legal abortions were performed in six Canadian provinces. Deputy minister of hospital services D.M. Cox says there has been an increase in the number of legal abortions performed in British Columbia — 853 performed between January 1 and July 31. In England, where a more humane abortion law prevails, 6,162 abortions were done in one month.

Since New York State's liberalized abortion law became effective July 1, some 16,000 women were legally aborted; 10,500 of them in New York City which has autonomous medical rule.

Half of New York State's abortions were performed in private clinics. One such clinic, operated by Dr. Michael Bergman of the Council of Population Balance, offers abortions for \$50. With no residency requirements.

Dr. Bergman has revolutionized the entire approach to abortions. He believes that equipment customarily used for abortions is obsolete because it requires a general anaesthetic for dilation of the cervix and insertion of relatively large metal tools. Instead, Dr. Bergman uses a local anaesthetic and a vacuum-suction tube one quarter inch in diameter, far smaller than those in general use. The instrument was designed by psychologist Harvey Karman and used at his Los Angeles abortion clinic for a year with no problems. Dr. Bergman has used this method to perform more than 300 abortions in his clinic since July 1, with no complications. The procedure takes sixty seconds and the patient is on her way home within two hours.

Dr. Bergman's clinic has become the sole teaching center for abortion technique in America, and already more than 100 doctors have attended to observe the method.

Dr. Bergman's clinic may be contacted by telephoning Women's Medical Center in New York, area code 212 533-1100. Return airfare Vancouver - New York is \$298, or \$180 under the Youth fare plan. A Vancouver woman can cover abortion costs, including airfare, for less than \$350.

CALIFORNIA

Dr. John Gwynne, 28-year-old gynecologist who interned at Santa Fe and Cedars of Lebanon Hospitals, is the only California doctor currently doing abortions outside of municipal hospitals, i.e., outside of the law. He is probably the most expert man in his field on the West coast because he has specialized in abortion procedure. His patients pay a fee of \$200 which includes a complete pelvic examination, a pap smear, blood and VD tests, and after-care for his patients.

Gwynne's clinic at 1856 West 17th Street, Santa Ana, California (telephone area code 714-541-2211) is equipped with two surgeries, two recovery rooms and a rest-care area for out-of-town patients.

Gwynne administers a local anaesthetic and works with the vacuum-suction instrument which he helped develop with Harvey Karman at the Los Angeles Abor-

tion Clinic. He accepts women up to fourteen weeks pregnant, and occasionally extends that to eighteen weeks in which case he uses a combination suction/D&C (dilation of the cervix and scraping of the womb). Gwynne has performed more than 1500 abortions since January 1st without complications.

Women who are less than ten weeks pregnant are ready to go home from Gwynne's clinic in about two hours. Those who are more advanced in pregnancy are encouraged to stay at least twenty-four hours for follow-up care. The clinic offers bunk bed and sofa sleeping accommodations.

Vancouver return airfare (Western Airlines) to Gwynne's clinic is \$157.25 or \$95.25 on student's plan, which brings total cost to \$357.25—probably less expensive than the New York clinic, because overnight accommodation is free.

AMA CONDEMNS REFERRAL SERVICE

Recently private counselling and referral services for abortion have sprung up throughout the USA. The American Medical Association condemns the practice. At their medical ethics congress in September, the AMA Judicial Council censured "commercialization of the medical procedure of abortion" and warned of the threat of "abortion mills."

Their statement reads: "Regardless of one's convictions concerning abortions, either therapeutic or economic, all must unite in protesting commercialization and hucksterism in this sensitive area."

"The ethical principle remains; no physician may solicit patients. A physician may not do indirectly that which he may not do directly. He may not permit others to solicit patients for him (and) the establishment of abortion mills must not be permitted."

The AMA said it had been spurred to make the statement after a gaggle of protests over "advertisements" being sent to physicians, particularly one sent by a New York hospital soliciting abortion referrals and quoting a total cost — exclusive of transportation — of \$575.

Dr. John Gwynne told the Straight that one such service, Abortion Referral and Information Service (ARIS), is operated by a group of students from UCLA and supported by contributions from doctors to whom patients are referred. "We don't pay on a per-patient-referred basis," says Gwynne. "We donate a monthly set stipend to keep ARIS operative."

Gwynne, of course, has been denounced as a heretic for his support of such groups, but he is unquestionably past caring about the "closed shop" maintained by doctors who conceal vital information from their patients about where to obtain safe, immediate and cheap abortions.

At least three other similar referral services operate on the West Coast and advertise in the L.A. Free Press. For example, National Abortion Service (telephone area code 213-464-4177) states in an L.A. Free Press ad that "it is no longer necessary for unfortunate girls to be exploited by quacks and inept butchers for profit. Now they can have perfectly legal abortions under strict hospital care." Spokesman Dr. Stephen W. Brown told the Straight that total cost, exclusive of air fare, is \$550, including doctor, hospital and anaesthetists' fees. Brown says that women who are less than twelve weeks pregnant are aborted by either suction tube or D&C and may expect to be in hospital less than one day. Beyond the twelfth week of pregnancy, the preferred method is "saline solution," the injection of about one half pint of salt solution into the womb, which requires that the woman spend one or two days in hospital.

Dr. Brown added that National Abortion Council is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization financed by donations.

* "Abortion Referral" and "California Abortion Coun-

whom the people periodically have "dialogue" in that phony exercise of democracy-elections.

We are fighting this clique of exploiters who make up the capitalist bourgeoisie that is dominated by Anglo-American financiers, and which some ambitious French-Canadians have been collaborating.

We are fighting all forms of exploitation, the most blatant being linguistic segregation: the necessity to seek two languages because we are Quebecois. Our colonialist bosses are responsible for this.

We are fighting all sorts of racism, discrimination and segregation. We are in solidarity with all struggles being waged by people who are victims of American imperialism. We support the struggle led by those first exploited on this continent, the Indians. We are in solidarity with the American blacks and Puerto Ricans who are fighting yankee capitalism.

We are with all workers who immigrated to Quebec and with whom we want to fight our common enemy: Anglo-American capitalism.

While supporting all trade union struggles, the FLQ hopes unionized workers will throw themselves vigorously into the second front. As soon as possible workers' representatives must replace the people's phony representatives in parliament. When a real workers' party is created, the FLQ will no longer have a reason to exist.

The FLQ is fighting the owners of the means of communication (moyen information) who are trying to make

selling Service" which advertise in the L.A. Free Press, offer time payment plans for women who are unable to meet the total cost at once.

BCMA SCORES: Doctors — 150; Catholics — 7

The principle of abortions on demand received the formal backing of about 150 B.C. doctors at their medical association convention held in Vernon October 6, and drew a flurry of protests from Catholic Hospital administrators and supporters.

The doctors voted for resolutions approving that therapeutic abortions be taken out of the criminal code and be left to the discretion of the woman and her doctor. They also approved establishment of specialized abortion clinics to take some of the pressure off other hospital facilities.

The anti-Catholic voice was summarized by Vancouver physician Dr. George Price, who said that one-third of all Canadian hospitals refuse to perform abortions because of religious reasons. Price further condemned the current law in that it leaves too much latitude to hospital abortion committees and doesn't provide equal access to abortions for all women, which leads to dangerous delay. Price added that women do not have any appeal against a hospital abortion committee's negative decision.

Health Minister Ralph Loffmark's statement that "the time is coming when all hospitals that are largely supported by public funds will have to face up to their public responsibilities," brought wholesale condemnation from Catholic hospital spokesmen. Loffmark told the BCMA conference that six British Columbia hospitals have not yet set up therapeutic abortion committees because of "religious beliefs." Those hospitals are financed by government funds but controlled by religious orders.

The hospitals are: St. Joseph's, Victoria; St. Paul's and St. Vincent's, Vancouver; St. Mary's, New Westminster; and Catholic Providence Hospital in Fort St. John.

Dr. E.G. Van Tilburg, executive director at Victoria's St. Joseph Hospital, said abortions are against the moral principle of that hospital. He added that even if the mother's life was in danger, an abortion would not be performed at St. Joseph's, which is financed by government funds, "but the ownership is still in the hands of religious orders."

St. Vincent's Hospital administrator Sister Martion McDonald and St. Paul's Hospital medical director Dr. Hugh McDonald declared that the criminal code legislation on abortion is permissive — in that it leaves abortions to the discretion of the hospital — rather than obligatory. Evidently they hope to maintain that status. St. Paul's administrator Don Gemino admitted that although the hospital is financed by public funds and the majority of its patients and doctors are non-Catholic, no abortion committee exists there.

Then the Jolly Old Totalitarian Order of the Knights of Columbus hobbled over to the telegraph office and wired a protest to Loffmark that his proposal infringed upon Catholic beliefs. Knights of Columbus spokesman Lomer Dion later pouted that "the erosion of our Catholic principles seems to be the order of the day."

Certainly people who don't believe in abortions should resist having one. But allowing the Catholic minority to impose their demagogic views on the majority makes about as much sense as allowing a vegetarian to close up all the cattle ranches in the country. Their inflexible beliefs serve only to preserve the split between safe abortions for the rich and inept butchery for the poor. Their blindness is partly responsible for the fact that two B.C. hospitals — Lions Gate and Royal Columbian — recently moved to restrict their facilities to women living in their immediate areas, because they were overloaded with abortion requests.

us believe that the current government serves all of society. The current government serves only those who finance it.

We are fighting these capitalists who monopolize all the major means of information, and who are trying to make it seem that we are the enemies of the people of Quebec. It is up to the free intellectuals to denounce this monopoly of information.

The FLQ is in solidarity with all Quebecois movements that are militating for real economic liberation of Quebec workers and are fighting for the political emancipation of Quebec. It will be independence or destruction.

MEANS (MOYEN D'ACTION)

To fight the reactionary forces who are effectively working against the Quebec people, it is urgent that we form a common front of all the progressive forces in Quebec. It is necessary to end our isolation which plays into the hands of the establishment. We must continue the fight together. The enemies of our enemies are our friends.

This common front will reunite the numerous movements, committees and popular associations that are currently militating in favour of a real democracy, real economic liberation, cultural revolution and for independence and socialism in Quebec.

The leaders of all these movements in coordination with the political committees of the trade unions must meet together to establish a base together to participate in the publishing of a manifesto and to elaborate a total strategy (strategie globale) that will respect the particular characteristics of each of the movements.

FLQ manifesto

The following is a translated version of the manifesto of the Front de Liberation du Québec. Written in May, 1970, it was discovered among captured FLQ documents by police last August.

The publication of the manifesto is one of the demands made by the kidnappers of British attaché James Cross in return for his safe release.

OBJECTIVES

We want to answer the challenge of the status quo. We want to answer the challenge of the businessmen who believe they can maintain the current political and economic system by sowing the fear of change among the population.

To the threats of the Royal Trust we oppose real bombs.

All we are doing is answering their violence with counter-violence.

We are defending ourselves against the constant attacks of the anti-worker, anti-Quebec forces that make up the financial institutions, the big companies, the Chamber of Commerce, etc., who are all maintained by the Liberal party and Trudeau-Bourassa.

We are attacking the economic organization that use puppet politicians who speak French (like Trudeau-Bourassa-Drapeau) to protect their interests, and with

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OTTAWA GIVES HOUSES TO KY - NOT KIDS

Mr. P. E. Trudeau,
Prime Minister of Canada.

Mr. Trudeau,

\$570,000 is a big, juicy sum of money. It would go a long way to keeping Canadian kids warm, housed and fed this winter, while we wait for the "easing of unemployment" which you announced we can look forward to NEXT YEAR.

\$570,000 is only a drop in the bucket towards what is really needed to meet even the minimum needs of food, housing and bare necessities for hundreds of thousands of young Canadians for whom there is no place in the job picture RIGHT NOW.

This morning you are quoted as saying you have no intention of allowing a minority to dictate to the majority with bombs and blackmail - apropos the action of le Front Liberation de Quebec. But this minority, the Vancouver kids in the hostel at Jericho, are making no such threats. They are asking only for reasonable concern on the part of their elected representatives to meet their very human and urgent needs. Obviously, when the day comes when pleas and cries for help bring no results and other means are sought, the responsibility will be upon your shoulders, not upon those whom you are today forcing to seek other means, just to keep warm, housed and fed.

\$570,000 is not a staggering sum for your government to allocate to this urgent need, NOW, for your fellow Canadians.

\$570,000 is just one of the sums you have handed over - FOR FREE - to the Saigon Administration of South Vietnam to build two housing units in King Mang, a suburb in Saigon, where only the Thieu-Ky supporters can afford to live. Your Mr. Maurice Strong may call it a project "to meet the needs of the refugees" but refugees are not living in apartment buildings in Saigon these days, or anywhere else. Refugees are living in camps, in caves, and in hostels, these days.

It's very simple, Mr. Trudeau. Your government apparently can afford to pour millions of dollars (of which \$570,000 is only one fraction) into the corrupt blood-stained hands of Messrs. Thieu and Ky who themselves this moment are holding thousands of young Vietnamese in the tiger cages of the Con Son Prison. Their only crime is also trying to make their pleas heard for an end to the bombing and destruction of their homes and families by certain foreigners. These foreigners, as you know, are headed by the American government, to which to our ever lasting shame, Canada is listed as an ally.

Why then, can you not re-direct that money to take care of Canadian young people, at least until next year "when unemployment crisis should begin to ease."

It's very simple, Mr. Trudeau, if your priorities are where they should be.

Ours are - right on!

Clare Culhane,
Former Hospital Administrative-
Assistant Canadian Anti-
Tuberculosis Hospital,
Quang Ngai, S. Vietnam.

cc - Jericho Hostel
Georgia Straight
Vancouver Sun



STRAIGHT LUMPED IN WITH ESTABLISHMENT

Increasingly, the Straight has been guilty of the kind of shoddy, one-sided journalism we have become accustomed to finding in establishment newspapers. The article "Ottawa Wants You Unemployed" in this week's issue is a classic example. Your two U.B.C. junior profs who authored the article begin with the rhetorical question "Do you sometimes have the feeling that the Ottawa-Bay Street-Trade Union establishment actually wants you unemployed?" Nowhere in the approximately 40 sentences which follow is there a single fact or even allegation to justify the inclusion of trade unions in the indictment contained in that first sentence. It is easy to see why, because the facts are that no group in B.C. or in Canada has raised more hell about the phoney Trudeau government and its reactionary policies than has the trade union movement. No group has been more actively involved in exposing the phoney war on inflation. No group has raised the issue of unemployment

union movement who has some idea what's really happening? Even Pacific Press manages to do that.
Yours truly,
Clive B. Lytle

BEYOND POLITICS

Dear Sisters at the Straight -

I can't thank you enough for publishing the article on LOVE by S. Firestone. At last someone has gone beyond politics to the heart of the dilemma engulfing women seeking liberation - our own hearts and souls and the tragic impossibility of fully expressing one's woman-soul with men in a man's world. Blessings, freedom and unperverted love to all men and to all women, especially those who have given much to the sexual revolution only to find themselves standing before the guillotine, innocent and bewildered, but condemned. Only because they tried to love.

Janie



POISON LICKS

Dear Brothers & Sisters:

Beware, your ice-cream is probably poisoned. An item in The Australian Tribune reveals the following chemicals found in ice cream preparations;

- 1) DIETHYL GLUCOL - a cheap chemical used as an emulsifier in place of eggs. It's the same chemical used in anti-freeze or paint remover!
- 2) PIPERONAL - substitute chemical for vanilla; also used in stronger doses to kill LICE!
- 3) ALDEHYDE C17 - used for cherry flavour. It's an inflammable liquid used in aniline dyes, plastics and rubber.
- 4) ETHYL ACETATE - for pineapple flavouring, also used to clean leather and textiles. Its vapours cause chronic lung, heart and liver damage.
- 5) BUTYRALDEHYDE - nut flavouring. Common ingredient for rubber cement! Nummy!
- 6) AMYL ACETATE - for banana flavouring; also used as paint solvent!
- 7) BENZYL ACETATE - for strawberry flavor also used as a nitrate solvent.

After reading this in the Australian paper, I phoned

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as vigorously. No group has specially spoken out on youth unemployment as forcefully.

The sad fact is that your writers (and it's not the first time in the Straight) are guilty of the same practice as the establishment press - when you have to attack a businessman's government, somehow lump in the unions as well. Not only does this help the business-government campaign to keep the trade union movement in disfavour, it helps take the heat off the system which is responsible for our economic problems and the politicians who manage it.

I work in the trade union movement and am proud to do so. Regularly I see trade unionists' concern for the problems young people face. I was there when the trade union movement defended the Straight's right to be sold in New Westminster and when the B.C. Federation of Labour attacked Campbell and Perrault for their hate campaign against young people. So I'm getting a little bit sick of dilettantes who aren't really involved in the struggle, putting down people in the trade union movement who care enough to devote their life to trying to change things. Why don't you run a regular labour column, written by someone experienced in the trade

LETTERS

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the Consumer Affairs Dept. here in Vancouver. A Mr. Morgan told me there are "no specific regulations defining flavouring components used in Canada." He said these chemical flavourings merely had to pass section 4(a) of the Food and Drug Act which says no person shall sell any food product which is harmful. (These aren't??)

Morgan said U.S. regulations were more rigorous than ours. But as here, he said, there was no way authorities there could scientifically test the thousands of chemicals used in the food industry.

Of the 7 chemicals listed in The Tribune, Morgan found 3 banned by U.S. regulations. Ethyl acetate (pine-apple) and amyl acetate (banana) are listed as "G.R.A.S." (generally recognized as safe). Benzyl acetate (strawberry) is "cleared for synthetic use" but is not "G.R.-A.S.". The other 4, Morgan said, either have not been cleared, are under review, or are listed under different names.

"Like us, they don't have a chance to check them all out," were Morgan's last comforting words.

So lick your ice cream friend and take your pick: anti-freeze, lice-killer, plastics dye, leather cleaner, paint solvent or glue!

fraternally,
Charlie Boylan
Vancouver

NARKS HEAD FOR IT

We of the North Van Freak Society are opening a campaign to change the Provincial Floral Emblem of British Columbia from the dogwood to 'DOGWEED'. The motto of the campaign will be "HEADS BARK FOR IT!!"

Anyone who feels that this is a worthy cause can donate funds to the NVFS Headquarters at

4176 Prospect Rd.
Cottage (Mail box #5)
North Van

Yours In Peace
trousers (pres.)
Patty (Sec.)

P.S. Please print this letter.

RISE ABOVE GAMES

This letter is written with regard to the article in the October 7th issue entitled: "Games Men Play: Freezeout."

In such article, Beverley Jones portrays the woman as an innocent, suppressed victim in a situation of which she is far from the cause. I submit that this is seldom true. One cannot say that simply because one is male or female, that person possesses characteristics restricted only to their sex. It is not solely the man who plays with his partner's emotions and sexual arousal; a woman can do a great deal to cause a man's doubt in his virility.

All I am trying to say here, is that the conflict is not MAN VS. WOMAN, but HUMAN BEING VS. HUMAN BEING. Too often that inability of people to correspond to each other, is categorized as "The Generation Gap" or other such labels. Rather than to cover up our inadequacies, should not our aim be to set aside petty prejudices and criticisms, and recognize the beautiful qualities in our fellow creatures, and raise ourselves above void trivialities, to a higher level of existence?

Sincerely,
Anne.

WRITE ON!

AT THE SYMPHONY

by BRIAN GILES

Monday night the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra played their second concert of an extremely promising season under the last year of direction by Meredith Davies. During his tenure, the players have increased in numbers and confident application. It looks like a professional organization which can do justice to almost any of the modern works which hopefully will receive exposure in the future.

The most exciting piece of the evening for me was the Lutoslawski Concerto for Orchestra. It was composed in 1954 and carries on in the tradition of Bartok with the exciting rhythms, orchestral color and unexpected turns that have always intrigued me about some European composers. There is a new system of acoustics designed to bring out the percussion, brass and the rear of the orchestra. I found it to be hard on the hearing. The very large string section was lost during the forté sections. But what else can be done in the acoustical tomb of the Q. E. Theatre?



Q.Q. WRITES . . .

ABOUT HIDING . . .

I have received several reports of the formation of all-gay communities in the California/Nevada area. The idea is to infiltrate sparsely populated areas where a few hundred voters could take control of the county, and then do just that. Well, if they think that isolation of homosexuals from the rest of the world is going to accomplish anything, they are in the same space as those straights who would like to jail us for life. Sick.

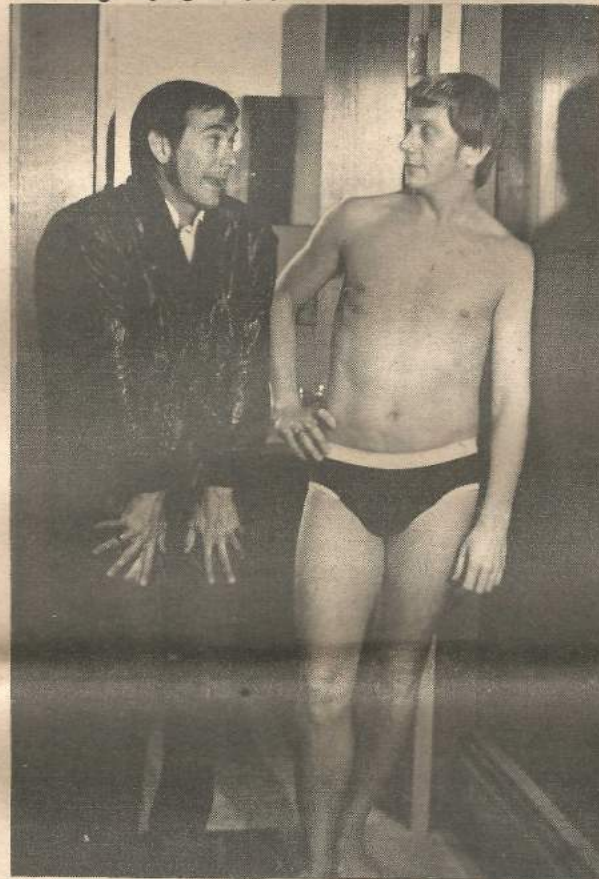
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Boychild Costume is dead! Who mourns?

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OUR TOWN

I don't know if you're ready, I wasn't! It seems that some high flying fairy just in town from Prince George



Scene from Boys In The Band--
at the Colonial Magic Theatre

decided to blow a few Vancouver minds and stuffed a moosefoot down one of the johns in the Castle coffee shop. This gives us some idea of how the gay set in P.G. get their jollies!! The P.S. report to that item was



Stephen Brown photo

SPEC member Kurt Embacher shows reporters what oil pollution is doing to lily-pads on Burnaby Lake, at recent Burnaby parks board meeting.

that the moose foot was not in any of the trash cans back of the kitchen on that or the next day. I dread to surmise further. . . On a radio program I did recently with Keith and the fellow who writes the gay guide, one woman phoned in and said that if her two sons were homosexuals she would kill them. Keith's reply was that with a mother with such an attitude, they likely were! . . . In the clubs we welcome Tracy back to the Deedee Ambrose troupe. . . Mr. Bobby Blake turned in his best performance ever last weekend. . . Congrats to Charity on a successful appearance at the August; can that gal ever dancel. . . Daquiri St. John omitted his strip number for the first time in several weeks, and the show was not the success it has been. Keep the strip in Daq, it's your big drawing card. . . Is Victoria ready for a club? Well, it's happening soon, and that's absolutely all I'll say!

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NOW SHOWING . . .

The Boys in the Band - still going strong at the Colonial Magic Theatre - is, as I've said before, more than a play about homosexuals. If you can't see in each character the frustrations of at least one friend, straight or gay, you really aren't watching. See the play and think about it in its broadest possible context. It brings two artificial worlds closer to being the one reality they should be.

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GAY LIBERATION FRONT GIVES SUPPORT TO BLACK PANTHERS

L.A. Gay Liberation Front, October 6, 1970

In a letter sent to Huey P. Newton, the Los Angeles Gay Liberation Front has stated that it "fully supports the Black Panther Party in its struggle to free all oppressed people. We recognize, the letter affirms, "the Huey P. Newton statement as a vanguard revolutionary action." A statement by Newton in support of women's and gay liberation was printed in a recent issue of the Black Panther newspaper. (Also Georgia Straight, August 23rd issue.)

Continuing in the same vein, the letter goes on to say that "GLF further recognizes the Black Panther Party as being the vanguard of the people's revolution in America."

Expressing the sentiment that gays share with blacks a knowledge of oppression, albeit of a somewhat different nature, the letter goes on to state their concepts of oppression in our society.

"Homosexuals in America know oppression. They are harassed, often brutally beaten and murdered by police. They are political prisoners incarcerated in jails and mental institutions for acts of homosexuality. As homosexuals, they are denied housing and employment. They are forced into self-hate, isolation and loneliness.

"No other minority group in America hears itself publically labelled sick and perverted. No other citizens of America are denounced from the pulpit, by the medical profession, the news media and the government. No other human beings in America are forced to show their love and friendship in secret, and no other human beings in America have the practice of that love and friendship declared illegal."

The letter to Newton concludes with the pledge that "the Gay Liberation Front is fighting for the total liberation of all its people and for true equality for all people."

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And so. . . With a 'hi there' to my readers at Kits (I've heard about the films they show there), I leave you for another week.

Q.Q.

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THE POWER STRUCTURE AND YOU

by PETER BURTON

To-day (Wednesday) at 12:30 in the SUB at UBC the Community Education and Research Centre makes its second presentation for the UBC Alma Mater Society.

This second part of the first series — on the Power Structure in B.C. — will cover the relationship between the ruling class and the media. It will show how the information we rely on is manipulated by the persons who own the media for their own benefit, which is the maintenance of their power over people.

This evening at seven o'clock a critical discussion of the noon-hour presentation will take place in the Club's Lounge, Room 212 of the Student Union Building. Last week's discussion of Education and the Power Elite was about the method by which people are forced to accept the failure of the economic system to provide work as their personal failure with much destruction as a result. (eg:-in 1968 employment forecasts led

B.C. Institute of Technology to refuse admittance to 51% of the qualified applicants. It was still necessary to fail 25% of the first year's class and 12% of the second year. This wasteful system, however, allowed Canada Manpower to claim that it had placed 89% of all B.C.I.T. graduates in jobs.)

One of the by-products of this system is the myth that only the elite trained by the universities can do research. This myth can only be broken down by your participation. The Centre's presentations are for everyone so come out. If you are unable to make it but are interested, contact the Community Education and Research Centre at 509 Carrall St.

PART I: POWER STRUCTURE OF B.C.

Oct. 14, Media; Oct. 21, Political system; Oct. 28 Economy.

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POWER AND THE PEOPLE OF B.C.

MORDECAI BRIEMBERG:

THE EDUCATION SYSTEM AND COMPETITION

The utilization of reasonable competition to encourage effective learning should be accepted as a normal feature of the society in which we live. (Chant Report)

That is, competition, stimulated and regulated by examinations, sifts the wheat from the chaff, the intelligent from the stupid.

Writing a good examination is in itself a valuable educational exercise. No one who has observed the intense concentration of pupils while writing examinations . . . can doubt their educational value. (Chant Report)

That is, the more exams you pass the more intelligent you are. The more intelligent you are the longer you continue going to schools and universities. The longer you continue your education the more important you are. The more important you become the more you are qualified to tell other people what to do.

It is true that we seek equality of opportunity, but we would be absurd indeed to claim that a man whose native intellectual endowment suited him for peeling potatoes should follow the same educational course as a man whose gifts made him a potential candidate of Minister of External Affairs. (J.B. MacDonald)

This is the mythology of education propagated by those who control the educational system.

True, schools are accurate measuring devices, but not of intelligence. Even with the built-in bias of I.Q. tests, higher I.Q. scores are not strongly associated with those who have been in school longer and have better paying jobs.

It is not intelligence but the occupation, and hence income, of one's father which correlates most closely with scholastic aptitude, school achievement and the expectation and likelihood of completing a university education. The school system measures class background and sex and it is on this basis that students are examined, graded and channelled. What you do during and after high school in Vancouver is directly related to where you live (i.e., your father's income).

Competition in the schools is like the competition of the small businessman with the large corporation — there will be more failure than success. Those on top know and enjoy the advantages of monopoly but they urge US to believe in the rhetoric of the 'free market.'

THE EDUCATION SYSTEM AND CONTROL:

In education, as elsewhere in our society, there are a very few people who presume to decide the needs of all of us. The wealthy and powerful decide how the schools and universities will operate and they hire persons loyal to their interests as the full-time managers of the education system.

Since World War II there have been two major reports on education in British Columbia. As a result of these reports crucial changes in the education system have been introduced.

The first report is the Chant Report, named after the chairman of the Royal Commission, Sperrin N.F. Chant. At the time of his appointment, Chant was Dean of Arts and Science at UBC. Subsequently the Social Credit government appointed him chairman of the Academic Board for Higher Education in British Columbia, a body that makes decisions on curriculum in and transfer between the various post-secondary educational institutions in the province.

The second member of the Royal Commission was John E. Liersch. At the time of his appointment Liersch



Mordecai Briemberg

was executive vice-president of the Powell River (paper) Company. Previously he had been head of the Forestry Department at UBC. And presently he is chairman of the UBC Board of Governors and vice-president of Canadian Forest Products.

The third and last member of the Commission was Riley Paul Walrod, general manager of the British Columbia Tree Fruits, Ltd. Out of the Chant Report came the present system of vocational and academic channeling in the schools and the creation of an Institute of Technology. The first principal of BCIT was a former head of Britannia Copper Mines and a member of the UBC Faculty of Commerce, E. Cecil Roper. The Deputy Minister of Education for the past several years, G. Neil Perry, is a former dean of the UBC Faculty of Commerce.

The second major report on education in the province was written by the then president of UBC, John Barfoot MacDonald. He recommended the establishment of another provincial university and a series of regional junior colleges. And when Simon Fraser University was created as an implementation of one of MacDonald's recommendations, the first Chancellor (Gordon Shrum) came from the UBC administration. The current Chancellor (Kenneth Cople) is a former member of the UBC Board of Governors. In short: exercising power and earning the seal of approval at UBC, the apex of the provincial education system, is a stepping-stone to high positions of administration in the educational 'colonies.'

And the hierarchy within UBC itself? Consider: throughout the entire history of the university a greater proportion of the Chancellors than UBC Governors have been members of the Vancouver Club; and, in turn, a greater proportion of the UBC Governors than Presidents of the university have been members of the Vancouver Club. The higher you rise the more necessary it is to be a member of the ruling class whose social home is the Vancouver Club.

Nor is running education simply a matter of prestige; it is a matter of vital importance to profits.

THE EDUCATION SYSTEM AND THE ECONOMY:

As the University Act of 1908 says: "The University shall . . . provide for: Such instruction, especially, whether theoretical, technical, artistic, or otherwise, as may be of service to persons engaged or about to engage in manufactures, mining, engineering, agriculture and industrial pursuits of the Province of British Columbia."

As the official historian of UBC wrote so simply and unself-consciously fifty years later:

"One of those who had early recognized the economic value of University education was H.R. MacMillan, who, it is well-known, frequently appointed graduates of the University of British Columbia to key positions in his expanding industrial enterprises connected with the twin natural resources of forestry and fisheries."

H. R. MacMillan also underwrote the Chair of Silviculture (not to speak of sponsoring research projects on taxation of crown-granted timber lands); Cominco paid for the Chair of Geology; Sherritt Gordon Mines that of Metallurgy; and George Cunningham, the drug-store man, contributed to the creation of a School of Pharmacy.

Through their grants American foundations fostered 'free world' and 'cold war' mythology as part of a continuing effort to maintain the American world economic empire, into which Canadian and B.C. capital is fully integrated. Rockefeller Foundation gave to the Slavonic Studies Department and to the establishment of International House; Carnegie Foundation supported International Studies. How hollow the words and promises of the first President, Wesbrook — that the university would be completely immune from political influence and that "the people's University must meet ALL the needs of ALL the people."

It is partly because of a correct awareness of the subordination of the university to large corporate interests that many university students jump to the false conclusion that THEY will be guaranteed employment and assured of high wages.

Misled by an unjustified belief in their own greater intelligence and consequent expectation that they have the right to tell other people what to do, they fail to see their real future — as WORKERS.

Workers neither own nor control the means of production. In the eyes of those who do own and control, workers are simply a factor of production, like machinery.

From this perspective, today it is more profitable to use cybernated technology than to employ people in such varied fields as engineering, clerical and middle-management positions.

So students in larger numbers will become UNEMPLOYED workers. EDUCATION AND JOBS: THE GREAT TRAINING ROBBERY is the vivid title of a recent study. Added to the dehumanization of selling oneself will be the inability to find a buyer.

In this situation of job scarcity a resurgence of the myth of competition is not surprising. Student against student. Will it be a mark of superior capability to have been trained to administer welfare and a mark of inferior capability to have been untrained to receive it? What IS the rationality of system where the 'success' of some requires the 'failure' of many?

(Next week: the power structure and the media.)

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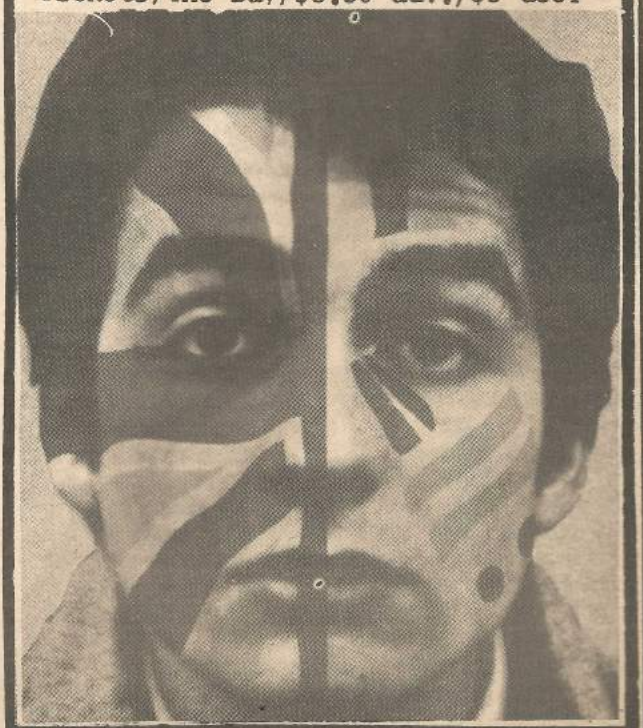
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A REVIEW: B.C. Power Structures: Education

B.C. POWER STRUCTURES: EDUCATION, billed as a "program of street theatre and speech presented by the Alma Mater Society and the Community Education and Research Centre." SUB Ballroom at noon, 7 October - one performance only.

A series of sketches by the Vancouver Street Theatre, with interspersed lectures by Dr. Mordecai Briemberg.

It reminded me of Tommy Tweed's CBC Wednesday Night broadcasts of 20 years ago, which demonstrated some of the frustrations, irrationalities, and godawfulnesses of our Canadian condition - with a cool, knowledgeable Perfesser giving mini-lectures on relevant history, economics and so on. Same deal.

The presentation had talent and enthusiasm and the best intentions in the world - and it fell flat. The audience - victims of the educational power structure - was polite but uninvolved.

The piece tried to show how our education system changes people, taking in children who are natural human beings, and turning out fully socialized adults who are conditioned to work for the wealthy and powerful people at the top of the power structure. The writing and presentation just weren't sharp enough.

I'll make just 3 points:

1. Capitalone, the bourgeois businessman in the piece, wore a crown and looked like a king. Now kings are aristocrats and - as Friedenberg points out - aristocratic values are much the same as poor people's



values (spontaneity, prodigality, and an ultimate reliance on physical violence). They are nothing like bourgeois values (self-control, frugality, and a preference for letting others do the dirty work.) B.C.'s power structure isn't aristocratic; it's middle-class. You have to identify your target clearly.

2. The piece opened with Capitalone saying that he had a problem: How to measure people. And the Doctor came up with an answer: Put them through university and give them examinations. Now as it turned out, Capitalone's problem was not how to measure people. In fact he did his final hiring on the basis of male chauvinism. He really wanted a method of training people to work for him - to perform drudgery in return for

small rewards. And the Doctor's solution has proven effective here - teaching children to work at things which don't interest them for the sake of marks and promotions which are of no real benefit to them.

Our public education system is a powerful moulder of character - ours and our children's. We'd better try to understand it clearly if we don't want to be victims of it.

3. Dr. Briemberg's portrayal of the Perfesser was too lifelike and not lively enough. His professorial delivery - all drone, detachment, and academic humour - lulled the undergraduate audience into its conditioned lecture-reflex: Zombieism. It just about got me too.

If an author is going to lecture an audience in a theatre setting, he has to be very, very sharp. Even Bernard Shaw couldn't get away with it consistently. And he had the help of the best actors of his time. The actors communicated much more than the Perfesser.

How about recasting Dr. Briemberg? He'd make a good Harlequin.

Campbell tried to shaft his secretary, court told

by SHELDON MICHAELIS

You may well have missed it, because Sun editors hid the story on Page 31 of Saturday's paper, but Mayor Campbell's true colors have been showing during a theft trial involving his former secretary and bookkeeper.

Ida (Vikki) Coffill, 36, charged with the theft of \$2,005 and hired by Campbell 4 years ago to staff his Harwood Agencies, a high-rise development money-maker, testified that:

* Campbell told her not to seek a legal aid lawyer for her trial, to "go it alone", even though it was a serious charge and she didn't have enough to hire her own lawyer;

* Campbell said he would "get in contact with the judge and put in a good word," highly illegal conduct, but apparently broke this promise, at least according to provincial judge G. H. Johnson who told court that "Mr. Campbell has never approached me about the case";

* Campbell tried to keep the whole thing quiet to save his political skin, telling her "The fewer people you talk to about this case the better, as it won't do either of us any good."

* Members of Campbell's family could and did take cash advances from the same cash source Miss Coffill is alleged to have secretly drawn from.

Mrs. Mona White, a Salvation Army envoy at the jail, testified that she met Miss Coffill in the prison, felt she should have legal aid, and phoned Campbell to tell him so.

"I asked him 'If you are not going to have her on legal aid, are you going to defend her?'" (Campbell is a lawyer by profession.)

"He replied, 'I am going to defend her in the background.' But he did not make himself too clear on this," Mrs. White testified.

Campbell flatly refused to show the court certain documents involving Harwood Agencies, even though defence lawyer Neil Fleishman said they were of "prime importance" to the case.

Campbell's treatment of Miss Coffill is doubly surprising because he testified in court that she was more than an employee, that she was a good friend of the Campbell family.

If that's how he treats his FRIENDS...

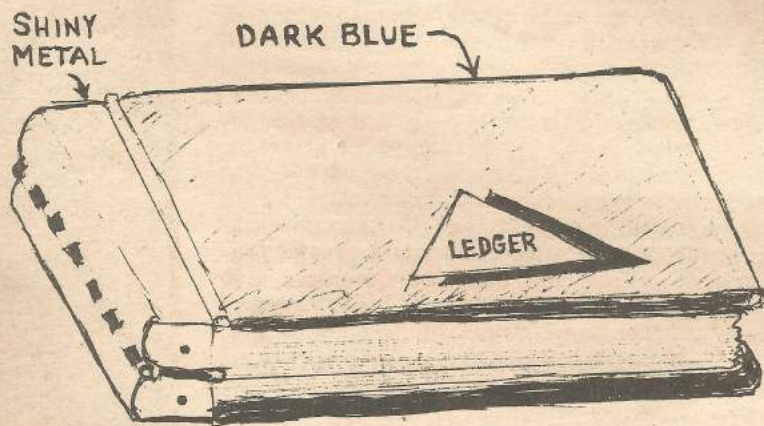
Her theft from his company, while seeming ungrateful at first glance, may well have been based on her realization that, when you have the kind of money millionaire Campbell has, and you've made it the way he made it (some of his apartment blocks, like 31-story Imperial Towers, are incredibly shoddily-built cheap materials, no quarterboards or window sills, tiny rooms, high rents), you can well afford to - in fact bloody well DESERVE to - lose a couple thousand.



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JERICHO PEOPLE

by STEPHEN BROWN

Who are these kids staying at Jericho and the other hostels? Where do they come from?

"They're mostly from broken homes," Jericho staff member Bill Peck, 37, answers. "There's a real communications gap between them and their parents. Their parents aren't willing to go half-way on anything, it's 'You do this or else'."

"We get parents coming in here to rap with us about their kid. Finally we say 'Do you want to take him home?' They say, 'No, I don't. I just wanted to talk about him.' That's pretty heavy, when it's a 16 or 17-year-old, and they won't take him home."

"You take this place (Jericho). It's going to stand empty for 2 or 3 years, then they'll tear it down for the new park. That's ridiculous."

"I can show you a couple of kids — 15 and 16-year-old chicks — who went to Children's Aid from here, were given \$2 food vouchers and told not to come back!"

"In the summer, when the kids could live outside, they open a hostel and chase off the kids sleeping on the beaches."

"Come winter, and it's wet and cold, and they close the place." Then the understatement of the year: "It's rather silly."

Peck says the need for permanent medium-sized youth hostels in this city is "fantastic". Jericho is too big, he says, "Kids are freaking." And the rooms offered by city welfare as an alternative are "shitty skid road hotels."

"They gotta go somewhere. And not just for a day or 2 because you can't get jobs that quick — if at all."

"Gaglardi says there's 10,000 jobs available in Vancouver — where are they?"

I talked with a number of kids and got the impression that many are screwed up by personal (usually family) problems; but some of the older ones are pretty settled and just can't get worthwhile jobs. In some cases (see interviews) they gave up jobs they had because they couldn't stand them or because they felt they needed time to learn about life. Most don't have 2 quarters to rub together — but it doesn't seem to bother them much.

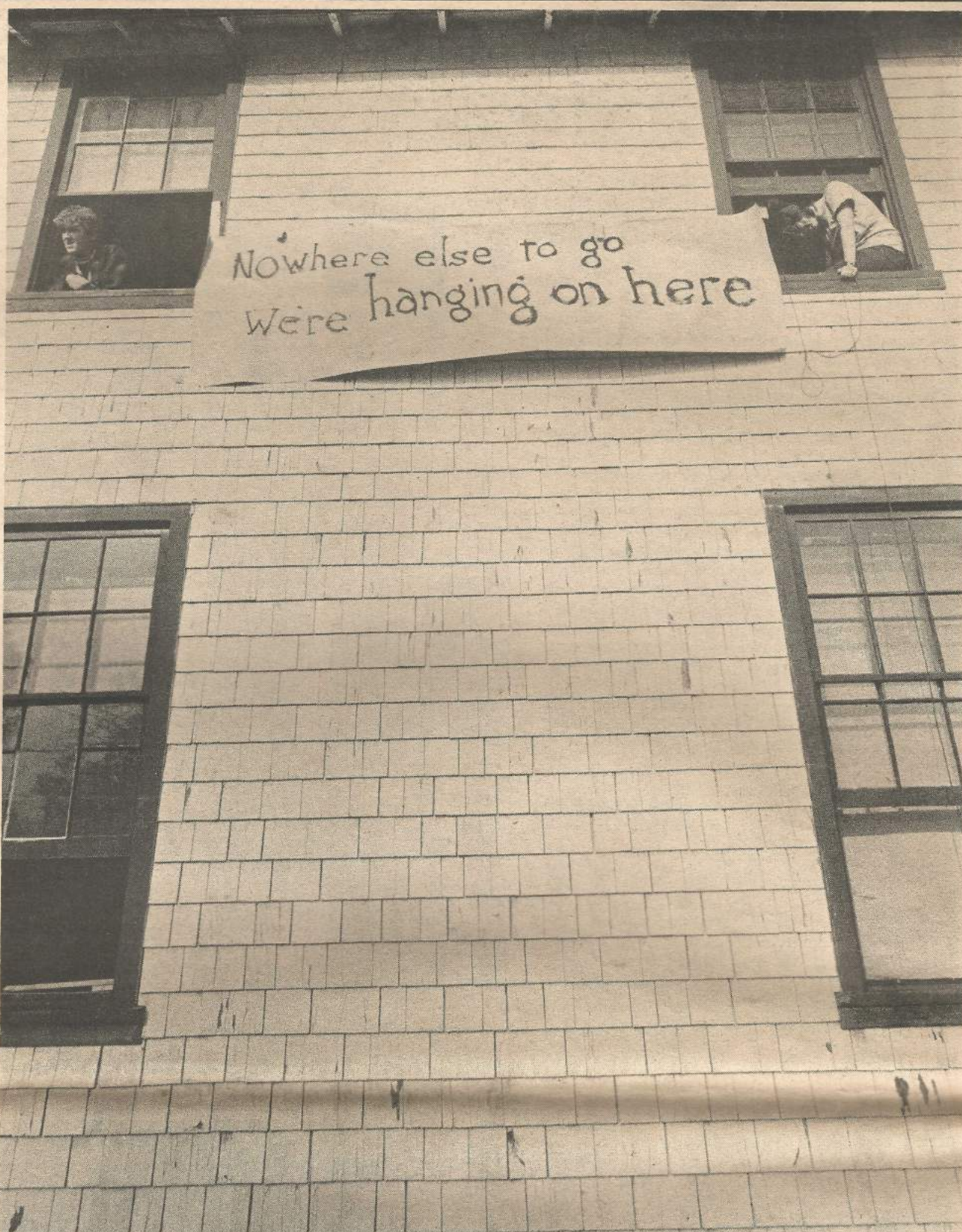
Here are some individual stories:

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ED SOCH, 19, from Toronto. Do you want to work? "Yeah, I'm almost on staff here — I'm a volunteer staffer now." How'd you get here? "Hitched." Why'd you come to Vancouver? "Everybody said it was great, the people fantastic. I packed my gear and came. I've had a good time, I don't want to leave." Is Vancouver different? "By a long shot — the people back east are so Goddam sarcastic and money-happy."

"Back East they don't believe in doing their own thing, even the heads."

"They don't have any nude-ins, they think things like showering with a chick is a criminal offence, they don't have many rock festivals."



"Here, the drugs are a lot more heavier but you can get them off the street like bubble gum."

"The dope back east is very bad because it's cut with a lot of shit — smack with Drano, acid with strychnine and flour."

Did you have a job back there? "Yeah, I was setting up dies in a corrugating plant. I was a machine apprentice for a carpenter, but I didn't finish it, I worked in a rubber plant."

When did you decide to quit? "Yeah, I gave it up when I was at the corrugating plant. Like, things were getting too heavy. I said 'Fuck it'."

"This was in Winnipeg where I was working. The money was no good. By the time I'd paid income tax, I got \$65."

Can you get welfare? "I can get it. I've figured out a way. It may work and it may not."

How long have you been living on no income? "6 months."

How've you been doing? "I look pretty good, don't I? I pawned off my pack sack. It was 70 pounds when I left T.O. (Toronto). Now it's 10, maybe less."

"We were in Calgary 4 weeks with no money whatsoever. We were living off 2 chicks."

Do you regret quitting your job now? "No. I've had a fantastic great time, and I can go back and get it (the job) any time." You sure? "Positive." "Not working has done a lot for me. Straightened me out — who I am, what I'm doing, it's taken a lot off my mind."

Would you take a bed at the Pacific Hostel (downtown)? "I won't go. I want to stay with my brothers and sisters. I'm not going to stay there and let all the other people down. I'm not going to take a roof if my brother can't."

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DON MARTIN, 18, from Saskatchewan: "I haven't worked for 5 months." You worked before? "Yeah, I helped my father farm." How do you survive? "Well, I'm still living. The hostel and the feed-ins. I sell my clothes."

Why Vancouver? "I was looking for work." There's no work on the Prairies? "Sure. (grins) You can make a living helping your father farm." Why aren't you doing that? "I was getting sick of it."

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BERNARD FRANCIS JOSEPH, 19, from Sidney, Nova Scotia: "I've been here 6 weeks. There's no work. I thought I could get some here. That's why I came out."

"Why here? 'I just wanted to see the country. I stopped certain places looking for work. I didn't find any. Vancouver was the end of the line."

"I intend to stay here til I do find a job. I love it here."

He had grade 11 education but doesn't feel it would help to have high school graduation. "It's not the grade 11 — they usually say 'There is no jobs'."

How many places did you go to for jobs here? "Three or 4 places — Manpower, MacLean's Magazine..."

Why haven't you kept trying? "I don't know — I'm just disgusted ... Really what I want to do is meet more people, and try to help people."

Do you feel the chances of getting a job are so poor that your time is better spent meeting people than job-hunting? "Yeah!"

Do you do any volunteer community work? "A lot of kids here are doing that kind of work. But most are trying to help each other. Most people I've met in this place are very very friendly."



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JERICHO U!

by PETER BURTON

The continuing saga of the Jericho hostel.

Not much has changed over the last week. The society which can't provide meaningful work for its people continues its refusal to supply some of those same people with adequate shelter. So the people try to take their rights and the occupation of Jericho goes on.

The Ottawa government, represented by T.A. Jackson of the Justice Dept., still seems to hope that the hostel will phase itself out of existence. Apparently no federal action is anticipated until a decision is reached by the school board on a proposal that the soon-to-be-vacated old Vancouver City College building be converted to a permanent hostel with some educational facilities. The proposal is that the hostel would be operated by Inner-City Service Project but no decision is expected until Thursday or later, when the full school board meets again. The sixty bed hostel at Inner-City should be open now according to Max Beck, Director of the project, but a telephone check of the facility showed that only the seventeen member work crew was there presently and they didn't know when it would be ready.

The UBC Alma Mater Society continued to demonstrate the elitist nature of the universities with a 16 to 9 rejection of a proposal that they set up a bail fund for the Jericho residents in case of a bust. It almost makes one glad that there won't be any jobs for most university grads either.

And the governments of Vancouver and B.C. were silent though unfortunately they hadn't disappeared.

Meanwhile back at the hostel. The number of residents had climbed to about 250 after dropping considerably when the pressure was a little more intense. This obvious demonstration of the need for a hostel has resulted in a change of attitude at the hostel. Gordie Mullen, one of the two remaining directors said, "It's a fact, if the government is believable, that the hostel will be shut down. But you can't run a hostel on that basis and have any concern for the welfare of the people. So you have to act as if it was going to go on forever to generate a positive attitude." He stated that this was an attempt to create a better situation, not an attempt to change the fact.

As a consequence some positive actions are planned, according to Alan Katawitz, a volunteer staffer at the hostel. The Free University is going to run classes at Jericho and some people are going to work teaching crafts. There are many things the hostel could use which the community can and should provide. Some of these are materials for crafts such as paints, canvas, poster board, leather scraps and balls of twine of any size. A man named Bill Peck will be teaching copperwork and could use any supplies or help.

The other important needs are plywood and 2" by 4's so the people can make tables for the dining area and won't have to sit on the floor any longer. Also needed are latex paint, rollers and brushes and gyprock for repairing walls. If you have an expertise, knowledge of access or want to drop off some food, call the Jericho hostel at 228-8313 or deliver them to the hostel office in the west wing.

The Jericho people had a turkey for Thanksgiving and they still have a shelter but no one knows for how much longer. The basic problems of many people in this society - which the Jericho issue is more than symbolic of - have neither been confronted nor resolved.

EVICTION FAILS

An attempt by the Federal government to force 250 Jericho hostel residents into the streets last week backfired.

The light, water, and sewage facilities of the hostel were mysteriously turned off during the week, apparently in the hope that the residents would abandon the building.

The residents were not intimidated by the minor hardships. Deprived of toilet facilities the people went outside and built their own outhouse. They uncovered an old manhole, removed the cover, and presto an instant billy! To make it more functional hostellers built a sturdy shed and equipped it with a toilet seat. Necessity is the mother of invention. All power to the imagination.

The ingenuity of the hostellers must have shamed the government, for within a few hours the lights, water and sewage were turned back on.

FLQ SUPPORTS JERICHO

Since that incident the Federal government has made no further moves against the hostel. Why?

Rumour has it that government officials are so busy worrying about protecting their own asses from the Quebec Liberation Front (FLQ) that they have forgotten about the occupation of Jericho Army Barracks.

As the saying goes, "the best way to support a revolution is to make your own." And the residents of Jericho are learning the realities of government quickly. The only voice from the people that is ever heard is the voice of active resistance and Jericho and the FLQ have been using that voice effectively. So far.

WHY CLOSE HOSTEL

The Federal government deadline for the vacating of Jericho hostel passed two weeks ago.

Why the government wants to close down the hostel is a real mystery. They have no plans to use the building for anything else. In fact, they plan to tear it down in the near future!

The only reason the Jericho hostel still exists is that a couple of hundred gutsy people have had the nerve to say enough and have taken the situation into their own hands.



Grass Roots Bigotry

A "grass roots" organization called the "West End Apartment Tenants Assn," has been formed to help Gagliardi and the government, but nobody seems to know who is behind it.

For the second time in the past few months, this

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CRUISE FREED

by SHELDON MICHAELIS

Guards were removed Monday from the Hamilton, Ontario, hospital ward where Bob Cruise, Vancouver-raised leader of the Marxist-Leninist section of the Communist Party, was in the 57th day of a protest fast, report members of the local Internationalists, basically the same group as Cruise's.

They said the prison warden responsible for the guards around Cruise has declared that the young (27) radical is free to go at any time - now.

Cruise is believed to be weak but in fair condition.

Local Internationalist sources say he was protesting his arrest on August 19 on what they call trumped-up charges of assault, obstructing police, pointing a loaded gun and possessing an offensive weapon, laid against him and fellow Communist Tom Bates. Cruise was student vice-president at UBC in 1965-66. He was only moderate left then, but has since become far leftist.

The People's Canada Daily News, organ of the Marxist-Leninists and published in Toronto, says that Cruise and Bates were defending a leftist bookstore, the Hamilton branch of Progressive Books & Periodicals, Ltd., from "a vicious gang of fascist goons." They say the right-wingers smashed the store's windows, threw an incendiary bomb into the store, and wrecked revolutionary literature and displays. Cruise and Bates took a shotgun to the store to defend it, the paper says.

The paper, distributed across the country with up to 15,000 circulation, states that the "goons" were "egged on by evil gentry and the Hamilton police for more than a week."

It says the police, "who are supposed to protect legally constituted businesses, did not lift a finger to stop these attacks. Rather, they actually collaborated with and encouraged the fascist hoodlums, and then arrested the communists when they stood up to defend themselves."

The newspaper says Cruise and Bates "resolved to defend the bookstore at all costs and carried with them a shotgun in order to shoot down anyone who dared to violate the bookstore again."

"As fair warning, they courageously took the shotgun into the store in broad daylight in order to inform the fascists of what awaited them if they should try anything further."



It says the right-wingers went to the police right away and they all came back together and Cruise and Bates were arrested. Cruise was subsequently held on \$5,000 bail and Bates not granted bail at all.

Cruise vowed to go on a hunger strike as he left the court room. He left, shouting Death to the Fascist Courts!

In prison, the paper claims, Cruise "escalated his revolutionary resistance to the point where prison officials were moaning they wished they had never seen him at all, because his continuous denunciations of the officials and guards were driving them into impotent rage . . . Moreover, they were becoming increasingly frightened for their own safety after Tom Bates stood up to the prison b governor and took the revolutionary action of slugging him on the mouth."

ad has appeared in one of Pacific Press' papers. This time it appeared in Saturday's edition on the page facing the 'Sun's' editorials.

No one in the West End that I talked to has heard of this group, and I was not contacted when I left my name at their box number. But someone should tell them that they are merely pressing the Welfare Department to do what some welfare supervisors have been wanting to do for some time.

A couple of years ago a directive came from one supervisor who instructed his social workers and clerks to refuse welfare to anyone who appeared to be not seriously looking for work by at least following "conventional dress and grooming." In a further attempt to prevent "dirty hippies" from freeloading, the directive ruled against welfare for anyone living in a collective or commune. Someone must have pointed to the illegality of the directive, because it was followed shortly after by another directive that restricted the welfare recipient to someone who was able to indicate need.

But a groundswell of support for the West End proposal (coming as it were from the "grassroots"), could give Gagliardi the mandate to change the Social Assistance Act the way he would like to see it changed. And you know what that means.

EXPLOITED OR EXPLOITER?

BY TONY TUGWELL

Canada is often pictured as a land of vast resources and countless possibilities, held back because the country is economically exploited by the U.S.

Canada is also thought of as well meaning and good willed — a shadow of grey to the north of the Centre For The Abuse of Power. Many people think Canada would never be an aggressor, and is hardly an imperialist.

Ask the West Indians about the second suggestion. Recently some of them smashed windows in Canadian banks on several of the islands. As a West Indian politician explained in Vancouver a couple of weeks ago: Canadians may see themselves as exploited by the U.S., but the people of the West Indies see Canada (Canadian business) as an exploiter. He called this a "duel experience".

James Millette was in Vancouver talking about how Canadian investment kept the West Indies poor. He is a political leader of the United National Independence Party of Trinidad and Tobago. (Not in power). His talk contained valuable information, but was somewhat academic.

To outsiders it seems that the Caribbean has greatly changed since the 19th century, Millette said. "Legal freedom has replaced legal slavery." And now there is much industrial development. But the people are still poor. And the progress made has been progress for the foreign investors who control the business in the area.

Although the governments in the West Indies are black, they have not acted in the interest of the people, Millette said. Many West Indians feel they "have been betrayed by the people in office." And the people in office have been "manipulated by outside interests", many of which are Canadian businesses.

And just how have they been manipulated? Millette talked about the way many West Indian governments had said they would better their society. For at least 10 years the "Puerto Rican strategy" has been popular. The strategy called for development "based on the wholesale importation of foreign capital". It was named after the industrial development of Puerto Rico by American capital.

The capital didn't come as catch-free loans so that countries could develop their own industries. It came in the form of foreign business. And West Indian governments made special concessions like lower taxes, loans and land grants in order to get those businesses. (Sound familiar WAC Bennett?) In return the country got the privilege of being exploited by a foreign business. The Last Post, a Montreal magazine, gives an example:

"The company is Cooper Canada (formerly Cooper-Weeks), a Toronto sporting goods manufacturer. By setting up a Barbados subsidy, it is allowed to import raw materials and factory equipment duty-free, and enjoys a ten-year tax holiday, followed by a corporate tax rate of 12 1/2%.

"Labour, mostly women, can be had at salaries of \$9-12 a week, enabling the company to make a pair of hockey gloves in the Barbados for 35¢, which cost \$1.40 in Canadian labour costs. Add on shipping and import duties, and the gloves can still sell on the Canadian market for 25 to 30% below their domestic competitors."

The capital came in, but it stayed in the hands of the foreign investors. And Millette suggested three reasons why the Puerto Rican strategy hasn't worked:

(1) There was nothing innovative about the plan. It was dependant of external societies and there "is nothing we can call our own". Foreign business develops others in its own image and doesn't consider the indigenous skills and resources of the society it exploits.

(2) The European countries had "the world as their oyster" when they industrialized. Slavery and indenture were the price the West Indies had paid for the 19th century industrialization of Europe. The West Indies with a much smaller population would have to industrialize in a different fashion, with much more state control.

(3) The expansion of American corporate capitalism had blocked their development. The West Indies were industrialized by foreign capital, which used the resources and cheap labour. It was in the interest of American capitalism to keep the West Indian society underdeveloped.

But it isn't just American capital, Canadian business has had a special interest in the islands since the fish and rum trade in the late 19th century. As the British hold on the area slackened, Canadian businessmen had a good chance to move in. Because of the commonwealth membership, they had a better chance than their American counterparts.

Canadian interest was strong in the financial institutions, Millette said. Four of the six major banks are

Canadian — Commerce, Montreal, Royal and Nova Scotia. The other two are British — Barclays and London. (Canadian banks encourage North American investments, through loans and by encouraging island governments to make special concessions. A Canadian example shows how significant foreign control of banks is: When Rockefeller's First National (New York) tried to horn in on banking business in Canada a couple of years ago, a normally mild liberal government forced them out.)

Another quote from the Last Post explains another area of control: "The Canadian insurance companies, at least a dozen and in control of 70% of the area's business, are only beginning to yield to the demand to become good corporate citizens. In previous years, they drew complaints from even the tame local governments for taking West Indian savings and investing them in Canadian projects.

The tourist industry "reflects the subservience" of West Indians "rather than their dignity" according to Millette. In fact it has nothing to do with the West Indies. They are merely the location where the plush American style resort hotels are built with Canadian money. (The resorts even import North American



type food, rather than serving local grown food.)

(Canadian business also builds housing. But not for the poor. Instead, people like E.P. Taylor and companies like Toronto Residential Resorts Development build expensive, transplanted suburbs for businessmen and retired North Americans.)

While secondary manufacturing will locate in the West Indies because of cheap labour, primary manufacturing is held back. Companies like the Aluminum Company of Canada (ALCAN) are only interested in extracting the raw materials, they do as little processing as possible in the islands.

ALCAN extracts bauxite in Jamaica and Guyana. But it is milled at Arvida in Quebec. And then the aluminum is mostly shipped to the U.S. where it is manufactured into goods. Some of the finished products are sold back to Canada and the islands. And the West Indies never get control of the use of their own resources.

In the ALCAN transaction Canada is the middle man, exploiting the islands and in turn being exploited by the U.S. business. A lot of our investment in the Caribbean is through Canada's own home-grown economic imperialists. In some cases however, a Canadian company establishing in the West Indies is just an easy route in for its American parent company. For instance, ALCAN is owned by American interests. (Mellon-Davis according to the Last Post).

The result is that the so-called healthy growth rate in the West Indies is really the growth rate for Canadian and other foreign investments. The foreign companies put very little back into the society. When they use much labour, it is cheap labour. They remove the resources and their presence prevents the developing of local extraction, processing and manufacturing. As the article in the Last Post says: "The result is a situation which differs little from Colonial slavery, in which the source of power is foreign and White, the source of labour local and Black."

Millette told how this system has kept Trinidad and Tobago poor and underdeveloped. (Back to Millette's speech after having strayed away from it and into the Last Post article. If you want to read it, find volume

1, number 3).

Unemployment in Trinidad and Tobago is between 15 and 20%, Millette said. And more than one third of the labour force under 20 were unemployed. In the sugar industry there is an annual cycle. People are unemployed for 6 months of the year and they must work 15 to 16 hours a day for the other 6 months in order to survive.

The West Indies had "failed to look after its own", Millette said. In Trinidad and Tobago there are 210,000 housing units for 900,000 people he said. Many have no toilets, and are dependent on rain for water. Others are lit only by kerosene or by candle. He said there was great overcrowding with lower income people, "averaging 10 people for a small house."

Health services are badly inadequate. Pensions for old people are only \$14 a month (Equal to \$7 Canadian). And there was a "bias against technical education" in the schools. In addition, racist immigration policies to North America skimmed off many of the professionals and skilled workers. In particular, the islands lost many doctors and nurses, he said. But poor people couldn't come to North America.

Economic exploitation perpetuated this situation. And Millette said a new ideology was needed to understand this situation throughout the underdeveloped world. The ideology would consider race: "Oppression can be identified in terms of colour, the oppressor is white, the oppressed black." The ideology would also consider three methods of using violence to oppress. (From the Archbishop of Brazil). "There is the violence of poverty. The violence of trade and aid which refuses to let poor countries use their resources and the suppression of the ways in which oppressed countries try to express themselves."

And West Indians have started to react to this violence, Millette said. There are "waves of destruction of the sugar crop". And he said that people are increasingly demanding radicalization and socialization. Many more blacks now regard the West Indies as reactionary, Millette said.

Governments make some concessions. Perhaps they take over a foreign company. "But the basic situation remains the same," according to Millette. There is a rise of Black Power and an "increasing consciousness" of the situation among the people, Millette said.

Social conflict has always been part of the history of the area, "but gaps between crises are narrowing," Millette said. And in response to the growing consciousness, conflict in the street and the smashing of some foreign businesses, governments are taking more repressive action.

For instance, in Trinidad and Tobago a Public Order Bill has been introduced into the house. The Guardian called this a "police state" bill, Millette said. It "empowers the government to detain or restrict movements of any person and to prevent any person leaving the country." It is called a public "safety" bill.

Under the bill anyone can be stopped and searched for arms in a public place. And houses can be searched for arms without warrant. It prohibits statements suggesting the law should be changed by unlawful means, gives the Minister of Security, who is also the Prime Minister, power to prohibit public meetings for a month, and gives the Attorney General a lot of discretionary powers.

A footnote to repression in the West Indies: Canada has recently trained 3 regiments in counter-insurgency in rough terrain in Jamaica (Last Post).

With this situation developing in the West Indies, and with Millette sounding sympathetic, one could ask why he is now in a parliamentary political party, instead of in the streets. I didn't ask as I had to leave just after his speech was over. But perhaps in the West Indies party politics and revolution aren't so far apart.



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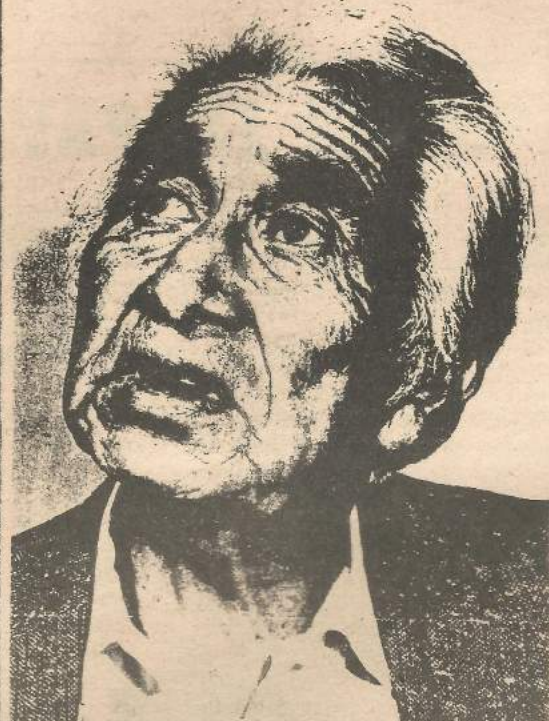
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Was it only yesterday that men sailed around the moon?

You and I marvel that man should travel so far and so fast. Yet, if they have travelled far, I have travelled farther, and if they have travelled fast, I have travelled faster.

For I was born a thousand years ago, born in a culture of bows and arrows. But within the span of half a lifetime, I was flung across the ages to the culture of the atom bomb. And that is a flight far beyond a flight to the moon.

I was born in an age that loved the things of nature and gave them beautiful names like Tes-wall-u-wit, instead of dried up names like Stanley Park.

I was born when people loved all nature and spoke to it as though it had a soul. I can remember going up Indian River with my father when I was very young

I can remember him watching the sun light fires on Mount Pay-Nay-Nay as it rose above its peak. I can remember him singing thanks to it, as he often did.

And then people came. More and more people came and I found myself and my people adrift in this new age, but not a part of it ... engulfed by its rushing tide, but only as a captive eddy, going round and round.

I think it was the suddenness of it all that hurt us so. We did not have time to adjust to the startling upheaval around us. We seemed to have lost what we had without a replacement for it. We did not have time to take your 20th Century and eat it little by little and digest it. It was forced feeding from the start, and our stomach turned sick and we vomited.

Do you know what it is like to be without moorings? Do you know what it is like to live in surroundings that are ugly, and everywhere you look you see ugly things — strange things — strange and ugly things. It depresses men, for man must be surrounded by the beautiful if his soul is to grow...

And now you hold out your hand and you beckon to me to come across the street — come and integrate, you say. But how can I come? I am naked and ashamed ... What is there in my culture you value?

Am I to come as a beggar and receive all from your

omnipotent hand? Somehow, I must wait. I must find myself. I must find my treasure. I must wait until you want something of me, until you need something that is me. Then I can raise my head and say to my wife and family ... listen ... they are calling ... they need me ... I must go.

Then I will hold my head high and meet you as an equal. I will not scorn you and you will not receive me in pity. Pity I can do without; my manhood I cannot do without.

You talk big words of Integration in the schools. But does it really exist? Come with me to the playground of an integrated high school — see how level and flat and ugly the blacktop is? But look, it is recess time. The students pour through the doors. Soon, over there is a group of white students, and see, over there near the fence, a group of native students. And look again — the black top is no longer level — mountain ranges rising, valleys falling, and a great chasm opens



up between the two groups, yours and mine. No one seems capable of crossing over.

But wait, soon the bell will ring, and integration will move indoors. There isn't much room in classrooms to dig chasms so there are only little ones here. We won't allow big ones at least not right under our noses.

Let no one forget it. We are a people with special rights. We do not beg for these rights, nor do we thank you. We do not thank you for them because we paid for them, and God help us, the price we paid was exorbitant. We paid for them with our culture, our dignity and our self respect. We paid and paid and paid until we became a beaten race, poverty stricken and conquered.

But you have been kind to listen to me, and I know that in your heart you wished you could help. I wonder if there is much you can do and yet, there is a lot you can do...

Guerrilla War in Mexico

One of the little known facts of Mexican politics is the existence of guerrillas in the southern regions, specifically around the area of Acapulco.

Up until now, most North Americans brushed aside the possibility of guerrilla warfare on their continent. However, the recent development of embryonic guerrilla organizations in the heart of Pig Nation, and the existence of a significant urban guerrilla movement in Quebec has shaken the power structure's confidence and pride but by no means military stability. Now in Mexico, the most unstable and exploited of the mainland North American governments, a significant rural guerrilla foco has been established, which has the possibility of expanding into a National liberation movement.

The guerrillas have operated in the state of Guerrero for the last three years under the leadership of the National Revolutionary Civic Association (ACNR). The people of the area have given the revolutionaries widespread support.

Originally the ACNR was a legal organization working to better the conditions among copra workers and peasants. However in 1967 when peasants were shot down at a peaceful meeting by government agents, the Movement headed into the hills. Genaro Vasquez Rojas, a long time activist in the area, was freed in a jailbreak and went into the mountains to head the organization.

Under Rojas' leadership ACNR has grown until it now contains hundreds of revolutionary peasants and workers deployed in armed camps throughout the Acapulco area.

The government has been hesitant to engage the guerrillas in combat preferring to isolate them and suppress news of their existence. This policy of "benign neglect" has had some marginal success, but recently the ACNR issued a manifesto which is being widely circulated throughout rural Mexico.

The manifesto outlines the basic ideas behind ACNR's existence. It reads in part:

"The great mass of progressive workers, peasants, students, professionals and intellectuals, and all working people in general, in their just struggle to leave behind the existing way of life, characterized by constant injustice, hunger and increasing misery for the majority of the people, while a small group of big capitalists accumulate in their hands the national wealth and enjoy privileges from the same, have obtained an advance consciousness of that capitalist system, arriving at the discovery that the "holy" and untouchable private property of

the means of production is no more than a fraud, by means of which a handful of rich take control of and amass great quantities of wealth at the cost of exploiting the masses of workers."

POLITICAL PRISONERS

Elsewhere in the country, over 200 political prisoners are rotting in the Lecumberri penitentiary, in Mexico City. These prisoners are mostly students who were arrested in the movement against government repression of July-October 1968 or after the crushing of that movement with the massacre of hundreds at a rally in the Plaza of Three Cultures on Oct. 3, 1968.

Many of the prisoners are approaching their second year in jail WITHOUT BAIL, WITHOUT A TRIAL DATE SET, and with no indication that they will be set free in the near future.

The ever growing number of political prisoners is meant to intimidate any open political activity. Mexican political prisoners include students, peasant leaders, and union militants as well as journalists like Jose Revueltas of SIEMPRE! and Manuel Pardiñas, editor of the now suppressed POLITICA. Also imprisoned are professors like philosopher Eli DeGortari and Eberto Castillo one of Mexico's foremost mathematicians.

Again, most of these people are held in prison without bail, and with no trial date set because the government is not able to make a case against them.

Two factors are seen as being responsible for the unwillingness of the government to grant even bail. First, the nomination of Luis Echeverria, active in the suppression of the 1968 movement, and second, the worsening economic situation.

CORRUPTION AND DEPRESSION

Echeverria, former secretary of government, waged an intense election campaign a totally unnecessary move since he is the candidate of what is in effect the only party. This was seen as an attempt to win back the loyalty of Mexican workers, peasants, and newly enfranchised youth without giving any real concessions, and as an indicator of the general dissatisfaction with the present government. Echeverria had to call out the army to suppress demonstrations against the "farsa electoral" and occupy whole cities, as happened in Durango, just to campaign. The last time this happened was in 1910, just before the revolution.

The government of Mexico is, as are all capitalist

governments, corrupt on every level. Mario Menendez, editor of the most widely read opposition magazine PORQUE?, exposed the fact that Diaz Ordaz, former president, and members of his family had enriched themselves to the tune of millions of pesos through fraudulent government construction contracts. (Reminds one a bit of Flynn Phil Gagliardi in B.C.) Needless to say Menendez is now in prison without bail or trial date on a trumped up charge which claims he tried to blow up his own office.

Mexican economic problems, in part due to the class desire to widen the gates to foreign (U.S.) loans and investments, are aggravated by a government that has done little to resolve the problems of the people. This has also increased the lack of faith in the formerly "revolutionary" government.

In addition to all this, Mexico, because of its dependency on the U.S. (70% of its trade), is being strongly affected by the U.S.'s economic crisis. Unemployment and inflation are on the rise and Mexico is even experiencing the contradiction of unemployment among professional and technical workers in an underdeveloped country.

It is no wonder that the Mexican government hesitates to show a benevolent face by releasing leaders of the most dissatisfied sections of society. Already guerrilla groups are operating in the jungles of Guerrero state and students are learning to work semi-underground adapting to the new conditions, while developing stronger ties with peasant and worker groups.

APPEAL FOR SUPPORT

At present throughout Mexico and the world there is an attempt to apply widespread pressure to the Mexican government for the release of political prisoners. This is being done in the hopes that, at least, some of the lesser known students will be set free. International support is essential in this attempt because Mexico relies heavily on tourism and will hopefully reconsider its oppressive policies if it looks as though tourists will be boycotting.

Contributions and messages of solidarity can be sent to:

ORGANIZACION POR LA LIBERACION DE LOS PRESOS POLITICOS, DR. LAVISTA 143-403, MEXICO 7, D.F.

Letters of protest can be sent to: PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC, LIC. LUIS ECHEVERRIA, PALACIO NACIONAL, MEXICO D.F.

More information on the Mexican situation can be obtained from:

NORTH AMERICANS IN SOLIDARITY WITH MEXICAN POLITICAL PRISONERS, c/o S. LEE, NCCF, 3106 SHATTUCK AVE., BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA 94705

cheaper to have it than not to...

Rapid transit will be costly, but the benefits it would bring should outweigh the cost factor. Rapid transit, in fact, would likely cost far less than the provision of alternative traffic facilities like freeways and downtown parking lots.

The consultants stress though that rapid transit alone will not solve the traffic problem. It will not eliminate the need for facilities for moving motor vehicles, but it could considerably lessen the requirement.

An analysis of the downtown peninsula showed there isn't adequate capacity to meet peak hour demands. VEHICLE CONGESTION CAN ONLY GET WORSE. This, in turn, will mean an increasing demand for more downtown parking.

There are 33,000 parking spaces in the downtown area at present. By 2000 it is anticipated that an ADDITIONAL 55,800 will be needed to handle the demand caused by more people working, shopping and visiting downtown. The cost of these additional spaces: about \$167 MILLION — well over half the cost of the proposed rapid transit system, and that's just for parking, not freeways and wider streets.

Currently only 45% of trips into the downtown area of Vancouver are by public transit, compared to over 70% in Montreal and Toronto, which have Canada's only rapid transit systems.

Rapid transit would ease the demand for more traffic lanes and more parking.

(Comment: if it was a full system, it would actually LESSEN these demands, freeing some streets and parking lots for malls and squares for people.)

Rapid transit offers other benefits. It provides faster travel times; reduces traffic congestion, resulting in saving in operating costs to motorists and truckers and a lower accident rate compared to auto and bus travel.

It also has a strong influence on planning within the region. Rapid transit lines tend to attract commercial and residential developments with a higher and better use of land. Generally, property near rapid transit lines increases sharply in value. This would apply not only in the downtown core, but throughout the region.

HOW ARE WE GOING TO PAY FOR IT?

A variety of methods are used in North American cities to finance rapid transit. In some instances cities have received substantial contributions from provincial or state governments, with some help from federal governments. There have generally been substantial local government contributions as well. In some cases senior government money was made available through loans, in addition to outright grants.

It has become widely accepted that regardless of the arrangement, the local transit authority, which obtains its revenues from fares, cannot bear more than a minor portion of the capital cost. In many cases it pays none of the capital cost of building the system though it does contribute to the cost of buying rolling stock. The transit authority must also use its farebox revenues to pay for operation of the system.

The program recommended for construction in Greater Vancouver over the next 20 years would cost an estimated \$300 million in capital cost. Expenditures from 1971 to 1974 are estimated at \$12 million, \$7 million of it for purchase of property for the first line. The remainder would be spent in the period 1975 to 1990, at an annual rate of \$16.5 million.

WHERE WILL THE MONEY COME FROM?

It is likely it will come from a combination of sources rather than one single source.

The major question is: how much will the federal and provincial government put up?

RAPID TRAN

HOW ARE WE GOING TO PAY FO

The consultants produced calculations based on three situations: where contributions from senior governments are negligible and the entire cost is borne by special taxes on Greater Vancouver residents; where a 1/3 contribution is made by senior governments and the remaining 2/3 is covered by special taxes levied in the Regional District; where a 75% contribution is made by senior governments and the remaining 25% is covered

by special taxes in the Region. The special taxes taken in retail sales tax, property as vehicle fuel tax.

Here are three calculations: the percentage raised from t (to cover the local cost of the placing a greater proportion or tion on another:

AVERAGE TAX RATES REQUIRED TO FINANCE RAPID TRANSIT IN GREATER VANCOUVER REGIONAL DISTRICT, 1975-1990

Instance 1 —

No contribution from senior government, total amount to be raised in Regional District from each tax source separately

Instance 2 —

1/3 contribution from senior government, remaining amount to be raised in Regional District:

a) from each tax source separately

b) spread equally over 3 sources

Instance 3 —

75% contribution from senior government, remaining amount to be raised in Regional District:

a) from each tax source separately

b) spread equally over 3 sources

Retail
Sales
Tax

Property
Tax

3/4 of 1%

OR 4.3 mills

1/2 of 1%

OR 2.9 mills

1/6 of 1%

AND 0.95 mills

1/5 of 1%

OR 1.1 mills

1/20 of 1%

AND 0.36 mills

Note: These tax rates have been calculated on the basis of a capital funds requirement of \$16.5 million

annually. This amount is in ance has been made for futu

Here's what the politicians say... BY MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION

(1) ACTION ON RAPID TRANSIT NOW

The Regional District is facing a period of intensive growth. Population will double in 30 years, employment and the volume of traffic will more than double. THERE IS NO TIME FOR INDECISION if planning is to lead and channel growth in the best interests of the community as a whole.

Every study made to date clearly shows that a balanced transportation system is the only practical and proven method of meeting the travel requirements in the Regional District. No one mode can meet the diversified needs of the area. A system of expressways, roads, streets and parking in combination with rapid transit and local bus services is the only practicable answer. The evidence is overwhelmingly in favour of a basic decision that the Region must have a balanced transportation system. But this decision will be meaningless unless it is followed up with action. The planning and implementation of improvements in all means of travel in all parts of the Regional District must go forward together.

(Comment: This means we'll STILL have the pollution and congestion and noise of cars, given that

Detroit shows no signs of scrapping the internal combustion engine in time — S.B.)

(2) PUBLIC TRANSPORTION HAS BEEN NEGLECTED

So far public transportation has been sorely neglected. The quality of bus services is deteriorating in face of increasing traffic congestion and less and less attractive as an alternative to use of a car for those who have a choice. The situation is moving FURTHER away from a balanced transportation system at present. It is clear that THE ONLY WAY TO COUNTER THIS TREND IS BY PROVIDING RAPID TRANSIT. It has been demonstrated in other cities that rapid transit is the only effective way for transit to retain and attract passengers in the major corridors of travel demand.

(3) RAPID TRANSIT CANNOT COME TOMORROW

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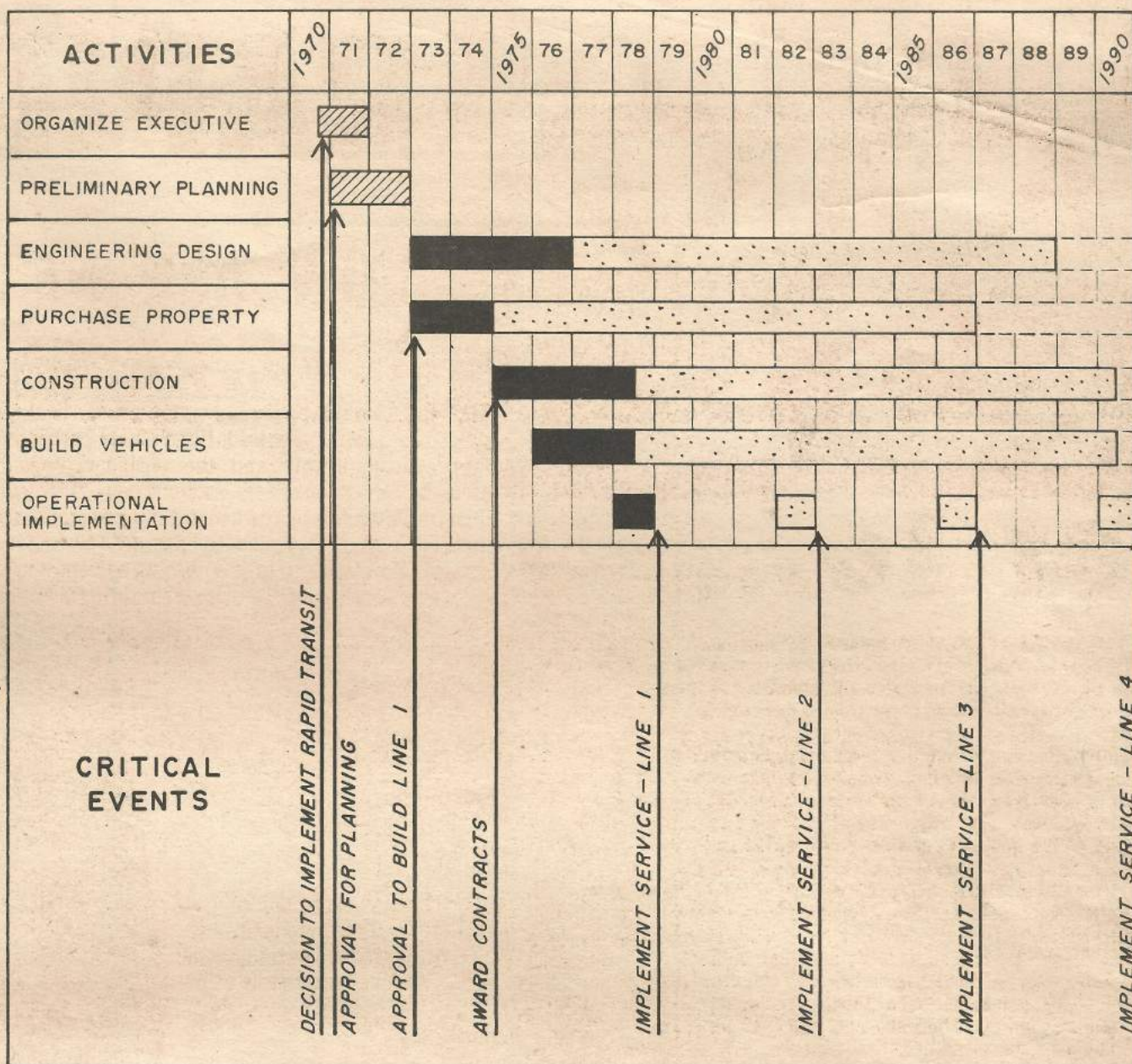
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NEED FOR EARLY ACTION

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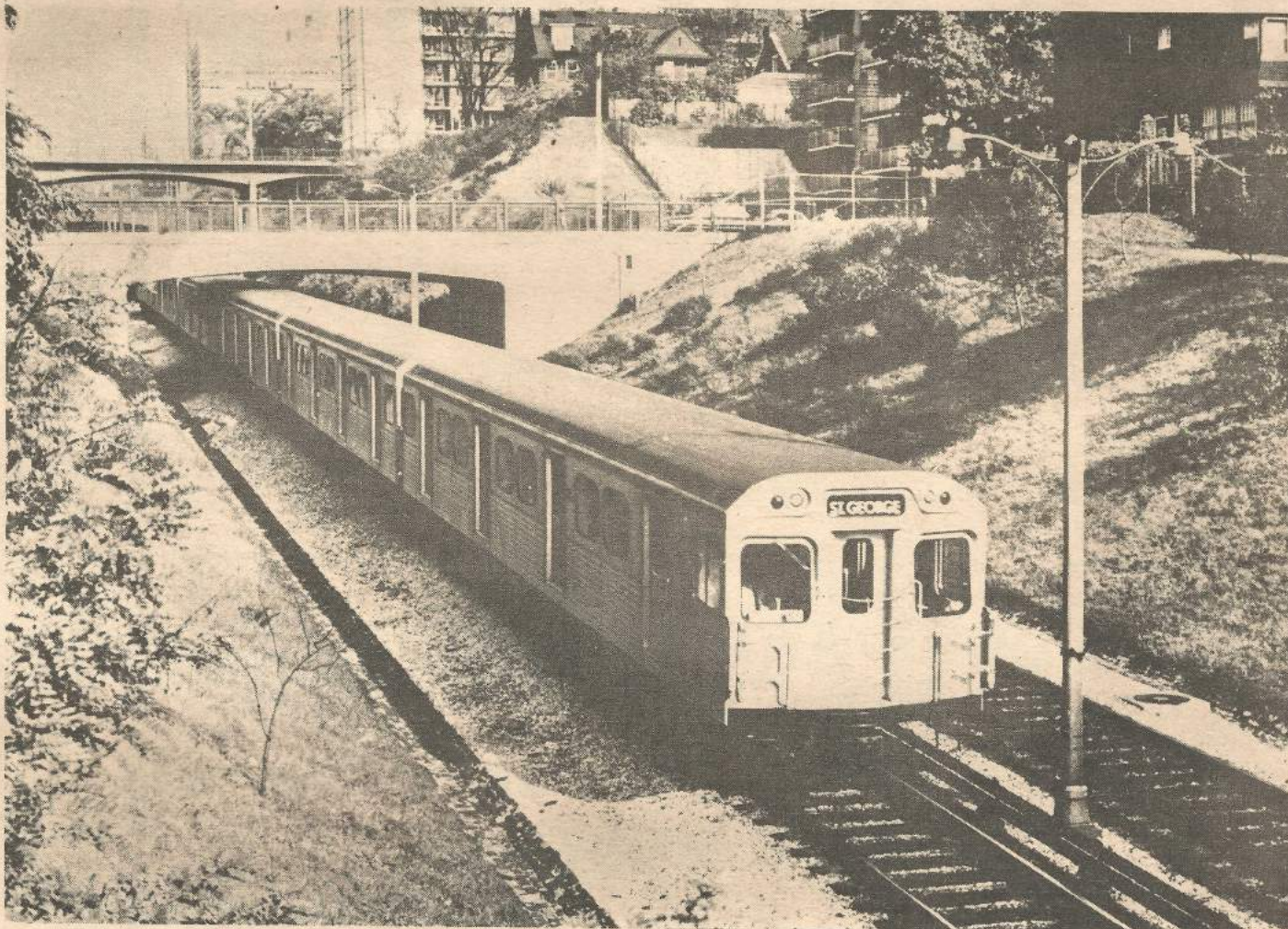
LEGEND

- ACTIVITIES FOR ENTIRE NETWORK
- ACTIVITIES FOR LINE 1
- ACTIVITIES FOR SUBSEQUENT LINES

GREATER VANCOUVER AREA RAPID TRANSIT STUDY ACTIVITIES TO IMPLEMENT RAPID TRANSIT

"The minimum time to implement rapid transit in the region, from conceptual stage until service is started, will be 7 to 10 years, if experience elsewhere is any guide," states the report.

"It is evident that the community is developing rapidly and there is a pressing need to move ahead at the earliest possible time with planning to identify and protect corridors for future rapid transit routes."



Two-rail system in landscaped cutting, Toronto.

A specific type of system is not recommended, though much of the study, including cost estimates, is based on the two-rail, steel-wheel train system, like that in

Toronto, New York, London and many other cities, rather than on monorail or experimental systems like Skybus.

Rapid Transit*continued from centrefold*

garages and access ramps are going in which can complicate the location of rapid transit through an area where it must be in the best location to be of maximum benefit. A few hundred feet can be critical where convenient pedestrian access is vital to the success of the system. Outside the central core, extensive development is also taking place without reference to rapid transit and this too can have a serious effect on route location.

An early commitment to introduce rapid transit will substantially improve future passenger potential. Development which could best be served by rapid transit will help to clear up uncertainty as to overall transportation and land-use development policies.

WHY RAPID TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT MUST START NOW

The location of the routes, through the present built-up areas, will be governed largely by what is practicable and feasible in terms of the pattern of existing and committed land-use and traffic. The routes and stations must be compatible with adjacent land-use and provide the greatest immediate benefits if they are to obtain

maximum public support.

Unless expensive underground routes are used THERE ARE ONLY A LIMITED NUMBER OF SUITABLE RIGHTS-OF-WAY available where rapid transit can be built at the least cost. Thus the main influence of future development on route location will occur in the vacant areas outside the present built up urban area or at specific locations within it, where redevelopment can take place in conformity with surrounding land-use.

Accordingly, the first stage of rapid transit development could well proceed on the basis of known and committed development, and need not be postponed until a comprehensive future land-use policy is developed for the Region. However, later stages will depend to a very large degree on the pattern of future land-use adopted for the Region.

This practical approach has been used in Toronto, Montreal and San Francisco. The first lines were built in established corridors with heavy traffic volumes and were an immediate success. Both Toronto and Montreal are now planning new lines to serve developing areas with full public support, while in San Francisco construction is currently under way.

(Signed)

Ald. Halford Wilson, Mayor Alex Forst,
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M.D.**

The following questions were asked by students at the university of Alabama. Things are changing in the old South:

QUESTION: Do you really have a research team? How many people are on it? How does one get to be a member?

ANSWER: My "research team" includes a "laboratory assistant", an "apprentice" and assorted and sordid friends, relatives and readers. If you wish to join my research staff consider yourself a member.

QUESTION: Why are doctors reluctant to prescribe I.U.D. (interuterine device) for a woman who has not had any children?

ANSWER: Nulliparous women have more bleeding and pressing and expel I.U.D. more frequently than those who have borne children.

QUESTION: I have noticed that guys stoned on grass are usually horny, but girls aren't. Any comments?

ANSWER: Maybe their horns don't show.

QUESTION: What do you think of extra-marital relations?

ANSWER: I think that people should determine their own moral code and allow others to do the same.

QUESTION: How substantial is the evidence that LSD causes chromosome damage which is likely to effect one's future progeny even before pregnancy has occurred?

ANSWER: Despite a recent Journal of the AMA lead article with a misleading title, evidence of such damage is flimsy. So, for that matter, is evidence that LSD causes any chromosome damage at all.

QUESTION: A recent newspaper article reported Pentagon researchers had found marijuana in large doses caused irreversible brain damage in laboratory animals. Is this just propaganda?

ANSWER: Any substance in sufficient quantity, including mortar, can cause irreversible damage to the body. The U.S. Health, Education and Welfare Dept. states several more years of research will be necessary before they are prepared to comment on this question. Previous extensive studies of marijuana, including the British Hemp Commission and LaGuardia Reports, found no impairment with moderate usage. Many of us though have suspected for a long time that brain damage is epidemic in the Pentagon.

QUESTION: What is the danger of taking successive amphetamines to stay speedy while studying?

ANSWER: Amphetamines rapidly produce "tolerance", the pharmacologic phenomenon of the necessity to take more and more of the drug to achieve the same desired effect. When the effect of amphetamines wears off, depression follows and some people keep taking more speed to avoid this unpleasant feeling. Soon they may become strung out on the drug. Toxic paranoid psychoses, overdoses, malnutrition, tooth decay and personality changes all may result from a chronic amphetamine habit.

QUESTION: Can a person stay healthy on 1 1/2 or 2 hours of sleep per night?

ANSWER: Not unless he also sleeps 5 or 6 hours per day - with rare exceptions.

QUESTION: I had hepatitis 10 years ago and the physician said my liver was 30 to 50% damaged. Is this permanent? I believe the type was infectious hepatitis.

ANSWER: Hepatitis (serum or infectious) weakens the liver and makes it more susceptible to future damage.

QUESTION: Does mescaline cause flashbacks as LSD can?

ANSWER: Flashbacks from mescaline use have not been reported and would be unusual these days to a person who has taken mescaline and not LSD. Also unusual would be finding real mescaline on the black market.

QUESTION: Does PTC cause pinpoint brain lesions?

ANSWER: Not to my knowledge. PTC (Sernyl), an animal tranquilizer, is the usual component of capsules or tablets falsely sold as THC.

QUESTION: Do LSD or other psychedelics cause memory loss?

ANSWER: I can't remember reading any such report. QUESTION: Do you consider it normal for a young man to discuss buying batteries to his electric razor immediately following sex?

ANSWER: I'll buzz some members of my research team to learn the answer.

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Come to Celebrate! in the pedestrian mall this Saturday - the earlier the better, so there's enough people there that the police don't close it down.

At 7:30 or very soon after, we should have several hundred people at the 2 points where the polluter-mobles will be diverted: Robson at Howe and Hornby at Smithe.

Bring bread - cheese - fruit - guitars - trees - drums - photos - frisbees - kites - paints for a paint-in on the Block 42 wall - bring LOVE - bring dogs - bring cats - bring babies and kids - bring your parents - wear costumes - do any or all these things and anything else that's loving and fun - but most of all, bring YOURSELF and all your friends.

Come by bike, or hitch, or walk, or bus; but please don't drive unless you have to or have a full load.

There'll be street theatre, musicians, trees, free tea donated by a tea-store (bring your own cup so we don't have to rip off trees for paper cups or use styrofoam ones, which will never break down in nature), some free bread from a bakery, some cookies from a cookie store, lots of info on ecology, survival life-style, people from B.C. communes (hopefully), etc., etc. . .

If you have a truck and can help bring stuff down, call Bill at 254-1783, or anyone at 736-0725.

Remember, if this succeeds and we turn a lot of people on to turning as many streets as possible into outdoor space for people instead of cars (which they could do if they beefed up the bus service so people could easily stop driving cars so much), then we may not have to continue breathing air that contains 100 times as much toxic carbon monoxide (from car exhaust) and dangerously high amounts of and potentially fatal nitrates and oxides (also from cars) which most people are unaware of because, unlike the visible gasses that make up smog, these are invisible (colorless) and odorless.

Live a life style, not a death style!!

ALAN PLANS ROCK FEST TO SAVE SKAGIT (He's 15)

STEPHEN BROWN:

Monday night this kid came into the Straight's office and announced that he's organizing a 3-day rock festival at Skagit Valley the weekend after next, to help save the valley from flooding by a U.S. power company.

This kid's name is Alan Johnson, he's 15, and he's a MOVER. In the hours since we talked to him, he's organized a poster-making group, sent save-the-valley petitions around his (Delbrook, in North Van) and other schools, which he plans to "take over to Victoria and see Les Peterson," and set up a work weekend to go up to Skagit this weekend. If you go to that, bring shovels, picks, chain-saws, and metal-cutters, he says.

Alan is also "going to get the parents in on it"; his friends at school are going to write a song about Skagit and have a slide show.

"If people get up there early, they can start making stages out of dead trees and stumps, and latrines," he says, full of optimism. "Bring tools," says his first leaflet, which calls the October 23-25 festival "Our own Woodstock."

Alan got turned on to saving the valley after visiting it 3 months ago. "It's kind of a disaster area - there's lots of things dumped there. It needs cleaning up, not flooding."

If you want to help, call him at 987-2667.

Incidentally, the metal-cutters he wants people to bring are for taking apart old cars that have been junked in the valley.

Here's his description of how to find the road going south from 401 to Skagit: "After Chilliwack, the highway gets close to the mountains and you come to a bridge with a lot of motel signs on the right. You go up an old logging road on the right, about 17 miles." VW's and such can make it okay, he says, but "don't bring a real good car." If you get there and there's no sign by the highway, put one up, he says.

For the festival itself, the weekend after this, Alan says bring food and homemade wine and jug-band instruments and such, but "not acid or speed, but maybe grass."

flash... BASEMENT BUNKER

by JUDITH COPITHORNE

Enter the side door of U.B.C. Library, go down the stairs past the furnace room. There are newspapers hung on the wall. Enter the fine Arts Gallery. Bright white walls, black telephone on a white stand. A telecopier machine, which will be operating soon, I'm told.

Artifacts behind plastic sheeting. Yellow, red, black billboard signs line the walls. Barbed wire circles you round and round until you reach the centre of the room. In the middle of the barbed wire field, purple shag rug, red plastic inflatable chairs. Sink down. Be at home. Pile of telephone books, photo of Long Beach, waves, azure blue. And a pile of christmas catalogues. Leaf through toys, microscopes, panda bears, cat clothes, hiking boots, tape recorder, chemistry sets (see the rose crystals turn blue).

Come back along the barbed wire bunker road.

Telephone ringing, suited men arranging closed circuit T.V.

Next door, the museum, floating in the entrance, at eye level, masks of black, red, green wood, sweep of giant rock fish (sculpin) and killer whale.

"China 4,000 years of continuous culture." Bronze ritual mirrors, Dragon robes, Buddha head, ivory and jade medicine bottles, fuzzy pictures flashed on a grey screen. Crouch down to meet gaze of green, carved wood, humped, shinto god, Ebitso.

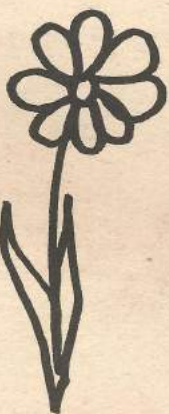
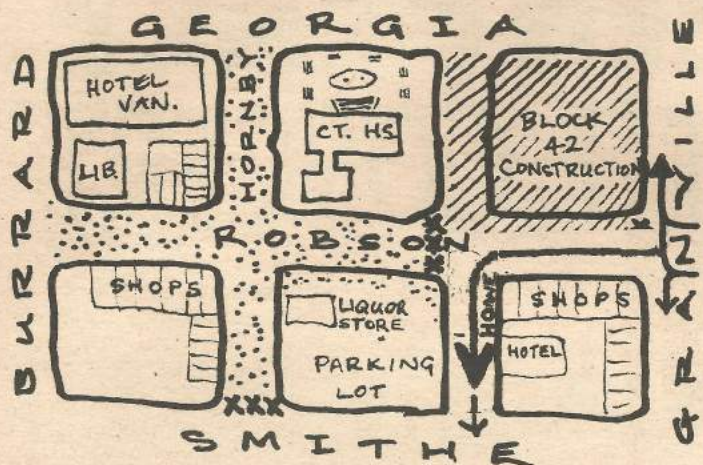
The girl cleaning baskets with a toothbrush, said barbed wire scared her, so she hadn't gone into the gallery, she recounted the details of the roller skating party, held there on Monday, didn't like barbed wire because it reminded her of things she didn't want to think about, like concentration camp.

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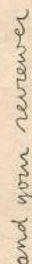
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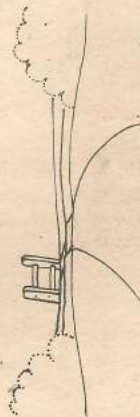
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Edwin Varney 1970

Drawing by
Ken West,
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BLEW OINTMENT PRESS : A REVIEW

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RADIOACTIVITY - THE ULTIMATE IN BIRTH CONTROL

This week sees the kick-off of an international action to preserve our environment: the Benefit Concert at the Coliseum to try to stop hydrogen bomb testing at Amchitka Island by sending the ship GREENPEACE there. When this column first got under way, as "BURN, NUCLEAR BABAY, BURN", the need for taking preventive action against nuclear annihilation was great. That need has not gone away.

In this column in the August 6th STRAIGHT Senator Mike Gravel of Alaska, opposed to nuclear weapons testing at Amchitka, was cited as calling attention to certain technical findings - that radioactivity from the U.S.A. 1.2 megaton blast last fall at Amchitka could continue above the "maximum permissible concentration" for as long as 66 years. Is there a "safe" radiation limit? Has the public ever been told the facts? Has the public ever been asked how it feels about being exposed to ever increasing levels of radioactivity? Dr. Gerald L. Wick, Assistant Science Editor of NEW SCIENTIST, writes in the August 6, 1970 issue:

"Atomic bombs are still displaying their deleterious power 25 years after the dust has settled on Hiroshima and Nagasaki the horror of the bombs lives on in the bodies of those Japanese exposed to the ionizing radiation. As is well known, the energetic particles emitted from radioactive decay and nuclear reactions can damage living cells, and thus give rise to genetic mutations (mostly harmful) and somatic aberrations such as cancer. It is this aspect of nuclear technology that is most terrifying. Although the immediate physical destruction wrought by nuclear weapons is vast, we tend to fear most the 'unseen, unfelt, silent poison' of radioactive isotopes.



Road on Amchitka Island cracked like an eggshell by the U.S.A. 1.2 megaton hydrogen bomb blast last fall. A second blast 3 times larger equivalent to 3,500,000 tons of T.N.T. is now being readied. And a 3rd blast, 5 megatons is planned!

".....the fact is inescapable that our knowledge about radiation at low doses is inadequate. In lieu of definite scientific evidence to the contrary, we must assume that damage does occur at these low doses, as does the ICRP (Ed. note: International Committee on Radiological Protection, composed of radiologists from all over the world), and then we must balance the benefit against the risks. Although nuclear weapons carry no benefits, this problem has great significance for peaceful uses of the atom. At present, the radioactive effluent which is discharged into the atmosphere and into the sea from nuclear power stations and nuclear processing plants is diluted below the ICRP standards. BUT OUR ECOSYSTEM IS FINITE, AND THIS PRACTICE CANNOT CONTINUE INDEFINITELY. Whenever plans for additional radioactive pollution are proposed, it is important that the public be included since the decision cannot be made on purely scientific criteria. UNLESS THE QUESTION OF RISK AT LOW DOSE IS SETTLED AND UNTIL THE TIME WHEN WE FIND PERMANENT SOLUTIONS FOR STORAGE AND DISPOSAL OF NUCLEAR WASTE, official plans and discussions about our nuclear future should reach the widest audience possible." (emphasis added)

Meanwhile, for the benefit of its own survival the widest possible audience should be at the BENEFIT CONCERT. SEE YOU THERE!

IS THIS THE BEGINNING OF
THE END OF POX AMERIKANA?

".....there are increasing signs that the brain drain (Ed. note: to the U.S.A. from other countries).....may actually be reversing.

".....the outflow of scientists, engineers, and physicians (both foreign-born and American) is increasing. No figures are kept on emigration of scientists from the United States, but talks with science attaches at the Japanese, Canadian, and various European embassies make it clear that the number of foreign-born scientists seeking to return to the countries of their birth is on the rise.....

"Many scientists also feel that the political situation in the U.S. has grown less desirable. (There were cited) the problems of living in the city, American inflation, doubts about accepting money from a government which is carrying on the war in Indochina, and the question of whether the United States is facing a major political upheaval, as factors in their decision to stay or leave...."

- from SCIENCE, August 7, 1970.

YOU CAN'T WIN WITH MORE OIL WELLS!
YOU LOSE ON THE SWINGS (U.S.A.)
AND YOU LOSE ON THE ROUNDABOUT (CANADA)

You will remember (I hope) that last week's column warned of irreparable damage to the fragile Arctic ecology if the U.S.A. built the proposed Trans-Alaska Pipeline System. (This would carry 176 degree hot oil from Prudhoe Bay, on Alaska's North Slope, south to the port of Valdez.) It was pointed out that heat from oil in the pipeline would melt the ever-present PERMAFROST, leading to subsidence and erosion which would eventually cause the sagging pipeline to break. It is the possibility of erosion and leakages from a broken pipeline that most worries conservationists. NOW HEAR THIS, O CANADA:

"A Canadian oil consortium, represented by the Bechtel Corporation, believes that the North Slope oil could be brought to the Mackenzie River Delta by a relatively short pipeline from Prudhoe Bay. From the mouth of the Mackenzie it would move, they reason, through an all-Canadian, 1,600-mile-long pipeline down the valley of the Mackenzie to Edmonton, Alberta, and from there to U.S. markets. MOST OF THIS ROUTE, TOO, IS OVER PERMAFROST." (emphasis added)

- from ENVIRONMENT, September 1970

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The Canadian who almost wasn't

by PETER BURTON

Q: - When is a Canadian not a Canadian?

A: - When the R.C.M.P. and Canadian Immigration think that he is a U.S. draft dodger.

On Monday of last week five Americans - 3 deserters, 1 dodger, and one woman - went along with a young Canadian who had recently returned to this country after several years in the U.S. - drove in the Canadian's car up towards Penticton.

When they were too tired to go any further they crashed for the night in their car on a dead-end street in the town of Keremeos. About nine o'clock in the morning a citizen's car drove up and looked them over. Then, five minutes later Corporal Stanley Fuller of the R.C.M.P. arrived and their difficulties began.

Fuller began checking I.D. and soon discovered that five of the people were Americans, and only one of

them had landed status. The sixth person, who claimed to be Canadian, had draft cards and a Utah driver's license. Fuller then told all of the people except the landed immigrant that if they didn't go with him willingly he would arrest them. They went along. Immigration was called to meet them in Keremeos. Fuller returned later and took the remaining person to the cop-shop with him for interrogation.

At the Keremeos police building Canadian Immigration officials from Osoyoos questioned all of the people separately, asking questions about where they had entered Canada, where their parents lived, and if they had been working in this country. Some of the people admitted that they were looking for work. Crunch. They were told they could choose between deportation for the non-crime of seeking employment and other minor violations or they could leave voluntarily. These four took the latter option and the last anyone I talked to saw, they were being driven away by the Immigration officers with one of them saying, "We're being ripped off. They just called the border." Greg, the landed immigrant was questioned and then told that he could go.

But Wayne, a Canadian citizen, was held by the R.C.M.P. for entering Canada under false pretenses. It seems they didn't believe that he was what he claimed and wanted to deport him to be sure that he didn't return to this country. So Wednesday morning Wayne was put on a plane in Penticton and flown to Vancouver where he was met by another R.C.M.P. and locked in

GO 'ALTERNATIVE CITY'

Stockholm, UPI (October 12) - More than 5,000 demonstrators in 5 Swedish cities marched and bicycled Saturday to protest against too many cars and not enough buses.

Around 3,500 protestors demonstrated in downtown Stockholm. Members of the Environment activists, "Alternative City," stopped private cars, offered drivers coffee and cakes, and begged them to go by bus next time they went to town.

the City Jail on an Immigration detention order. By Friday afternoon both the police and Immigration were satisfied that Wayne was what he claimed to be - a Canadian who had lived with his family in the U.S. for a number of years and had recently returned to Canada. In the meantime Wayne had been harassed and held in jail without any charges for three days.

Did the police apologise? Hardly. When I spoke briefly with the R.C.M.P. doing the investigating he told me that he'd put in a lot of work and was really pissed off that he couldn't find any charges. To Wayne he said, "I have to release you but if I see you around Vancouver I'll bust you for anything I can find."

So be careful if you're a Canadian long-hair and you go visiting up near Keremeos. They might ask you to leave your country voluntarily.

TRIBES



photos: courtesy, museum of fine art

BY ALICE TOO

Dear Alice,

There is a natural tendency for newcomers to the north to be overly worried about the cold winters. It is true that the best time to start a commune or homestead is in the spring or early summer. This will allow enough time to be properly set up for the winters which are then, a pleasant part of the year.

The concerns of first priority for people who have only land is, start a garden and the construction of a good shelter.

Log cabin construction is the best and least expensive. Placing the logs vertically is the easiest. Then chink the logs with fiberglass insulation or if limited in bread, you can use moss, or mud if the logs are horizontal.

It is best to use spruce or pine if it is easily obtainable but in spite of what (the experts) say, poplar logs work fine if that is all you have. There is very little shrinkage with them. They are sensitive to dampness so try to use pine or spruce nearest the ground, the first few logs. Poplar logs will remain a pretty light colour, if they have a chance to dry a few days after peeling off the bark. If it rains on them too soon they turn blackish but they're still OK to use.

The floor should have two layers of 1 inch lumber with building paper inbetween them. Pine or spruce is best for ceiling and roof rafters. If using poplar, allow it to dry first, otherwise it will sag under its own weight. Nail 1 inch lumber on the ceiling and roof rafters. Cover the ceiling with about 4 inches of sawdust which is free for the taking. Rough lumber is good enough to use and can be purchased from any of several small mills for around \$40 for 1000 board feet.

Stock up on lots of fire wood. For this and the building of the log cabin, used chain saws can usually be purchased for \$20 up. It is a great advantage to get your wood cut early so it will have a chance to dry before winter sets in. 10 cords is usually enough to hold out until the following year. It is a real nuisance to try and keep a cabin cozy with green wood.

There are several government wood lots throughout the region where people can go and cut firewood free. The Forestry Dept. should be able to tell you where they are located. This would be important to anyone who has no timber on their land.

A young milk goat is nice to have for milk and cheese; and cream too, but you will need a seperator for that. Goats thrive on brush, willows, weeds and grass. They require relatively little hay for feeding over the winters. If you have one or more, it will be necessary to fence in your garden with poles or wire 4 or 5 feet high because goats love gardens.

If you have enough vegetables from your garden to be able to store some, which is the ideal situation, you will need to build a root cellar.

To further augment the food supply, there are snowshoe rabbits, grouse, moose and this year particularly—

a few deer. There is no closed season on rabbits. If you get a moose or deer early in the fall I would advise that most of it be canned right away. If it is after freeze-up just hang it outside where it will freeze and keep very nicely.

Many of the lakes have trout in them; mainly squaw fish are in others. Squaw fish are full of bones but are very tasty and when pickled even the bones can be eaten.

During most summers wild berries are plentiful. Huckleberries, strawberries, raspberries, saskatoon-berries and blueberries.

If you like Mexican food as my wife and I do, you can make it with little expense. The "Sunset Mexican Cook Book" from Lane Books in Menlo Park, California, tells how to make a tortilla press. The mesa flour for this can be obtained at Woodward's food floor in Prince George.

Two things that are very important to keep in mind when acquiring property in the Prince George area; make sure that water is easily available. The other is the quality of soil. You can have the soil analyzed through the Department of Agriculture in Prince George. They will analyze four samples for \$3.00. It will take 10 days. If you don't want to do that, then at least talk to the people in the vicinity. You can't believe what salesmen tell you, as most everyone knows.

Some people try to do too much the first summer. I think it is better not to set your goals too high at first because there is always next year to build the garage, dig the well, put in inside plumbing or what ever.

These things are all nice to have but they can wait, unless you have a lot of help.

Peace
George Bumpus

The following is from Bob Crane's column "How to Survive in the Mountains" which appears relatively regularly in the Spokane Natural.

It is still possible to make enough money in the mountains, for a few necessities at least, by panning gold or working a sluice box. There are many places that are not considered to be already-existing claims. A few years ago some friends went up on the Feather River and took \$2,500 worth of gold out of a creek in one week with a dredge. They were bringing it up with a suction pump. You don't have to. You can make \$2 to \$4 a day,

or enough to buy beans and basics by just keeping your sluice boxes full while you are tending your garden. It depends on what stream you are on, but most streams have some gold in them. Then in the process of being out there you can make your jerky. Do your gardening and enjoy doing it. Of course, you use your head and

don't get right on a road and have a lot of illegal meat hanging all over the place drying. If you do, you know the man is going to walk up and ask you what you are doing. In Canada, all you need to be unhassled is a free miner's license which cost \$5 or less. It entitles you to be in the bush legally in the spring and summer in the province of British Columbia and you do not have to be a resident or citizen. Even a visitor is allowed to pan for gold if he has a license.

How do you make a sluice box? The mining library will tell you that. It is a box with riffles in it, and you line it with gunny sacks. You shovel the gravel into the box which sets in the stream. The gold catches in the sacks. You use the sacks over and over and then you finally burn them. That way you don't have to fool with amalgam, quicksilver or any of that in order to capture the gold. That costs money. All you need are some old gunny sacks and some rough boards and a shovel.

As far as staking a claim, that is not too good an idea because then you have all the red tape and hassle of Doing Something. Besides, too many straight people bought mining claims to use as vacation property and fouled up the big companies that were trying to hold all the minerals in reserve, so the laws were changed in the last couple of years. I am not familiar with the present laws.

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Phubai, Vietnam
Camp Eagle, Nam

To the People for the People

I would like to start a colony for young hip people (over 19). They must have warm clothing for the winter in the Yukon. I have a fair amount of money saved up to contribute. If you are interested write to me. I am being released in April, 1971.

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TIM AND ROSEMARY SAFE IN ALGIERS

ALGIERS (LNS) — Sources in Algeria report that Tim Leary, who recently escaped from prison in San Luis Obispo, where he was serving the first of several ten-to-thirty-year sentences for possession of marijuana, has arrived in Algiers with his wife, Rosemary.

Leary escaped from the California Men's Colony in San Luis Obispo by climbing over a fence. He later changed clothes in a gas station men's room and disappeared. Weathermen claimed credit for aiding in his escape. Leary left behind a letter thanking the

Weathermen and urging young people to fight actively against U.S. imperialism.

The Learys appeared unexpectedly at the Black Panther Party Embassy in Algiers. Surprised Panthers let them in and, after brief consultations, arranged for the couple to be granted asylum in Algeria.

Algeria does not have diplomatic relations with the formal U.S. government. The Black Panther Embassy represents the revolutionary, anti-imperialist peoples of the U.S. and handles all relations with the Algerian government.

The Black Panthers stressed that the Party had not known that Timothy was coming and had not participated in his escape, but that they welcomed his presence in free territory:

"The Embassy is available to all oppressed people, to all victims of bureaucratic capitalist imperialism," they added.



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PINK FLOYD: INTERVIEW BY MIKE QUIGLEY

The Pink Floyd concert last week was a truly musical event. Despite a dearth of promotion, the group managed to draw a fairly full house to the Gardens.

Particularly outstanding was their sound system, which could be clearly heard right to the back of the hall.

The group presented several extended pieces from their old and upcoming albums. The general consensus seemed to be that they transcended themselves in their early work which had already been superbly done on the albums. Saucerful of Secrets, with an incredible, overpowering electronic section (which utilized a quadraphonic speaker system around the hall), particularly managed to clean some ears and minds overexposed to the inanities of CCR, Led Zeppelin, and others.

It was one of those concerts where anyone who didn't attend should kick himself (or be kicked). And it wouldn't be much of an overstatement to say the Pink Floyd is possibly the best non-rock rock group in the world today.

THE BEST

Despite a whopping hangover, I managed to struggle out to the Gardens sometime before the concert where I talked to Roger Waters and David Gilmour of the group. Here's what resulted:

GS: How long has the group been playing?

RW: Professionally, since January, 1967. We started out before that as a completely blues and Bo Diddley-oriented rock'n'roll band from a school of architecture. GS: Have any of the group had a classical musical background?

DG: Richard's (organist Richard Wright) had a little bit of classical training, but the rest of us haven't had any training of any sort....

NON-ROCK

RW: But we've all been through the great Music College of Life.

GS: When did you decide to get off the Bo Diddley trip and involve yourselves in the experimental music you're into now?

RW: In June or July of 1966; by that time we'd already started to do the things that we continue to do. Even though we were still amateur, we stopped playing blues and started thrashing about making stranger noises and doing different things. Some people saw us and they said, "We think you boys can be big," and we said, "Too much!" and they said, "Let's get started" and we said, "We're terribly sorry, but we're going off on a holiday, and we'll be back in October." And so we did. And then we raised two hundred pounds and went into a studio and cut a record and took it to EMI and said, "Look, we can be bigger than The Beatles." And they said, "Golly, gee whiz, we think you're right!" and we signed a stupid contract with them (which we're still bound by), and they released the album and it was a medium-big seller. Then we went professional.

GS: Were your concerts the same in performance as the album?

RW: We didn't do concerts in those days... nobody did concerts in those days, and we hadn't done an album anyway. There weren't concerts in those days — there were ballrooms. If you were a working group with a hit single, you played in ballrooms. It was a hall like this (Gardens), but without seats, and it was all screaming girls...

DG: And jiving, twisting...

RW: We cleared more ballrooms than you've had hot dinners. We didn't play the singles on stage, which was all they wanted to hear.

DG: The only reason you'd get those bookings is because you had hit singles. That's how you'd get the work. And we didn't do them.

RW: We had a very rough year or so...

DG: Apart from a few gigs in London.

RW: We had a very rough time until the second album came out, and people were coming to see us because of Saucerful of Secrets, not some hit single that they'd heard.

GS: Did you tour on the Continent?

DG: Not for a long time after.

RW: We came to the States very early on just for a week or so.

DG: We came to the States right in the middle of '68, when the second album came out, for seven weeks. But that was pretty bad because we didn't have any of our own equipment. We hadn't got it together either to cope with any equipment problems or things like that.

RW: But the Continent has just exploded for us now — particularly France. It's all quite new. France is maybe a year old right now, since we started getting anywhere in France. What really made it for us in France was the film 'More,' for which we did the soundtrack. It was playing in Paris at two next-door cinemas at once it was so popular.

GS: Have you ever gotten involved with modern classi-

cal music — anything symphonic, for example?

RW: Not really. On our new album we've used some written music, some other musicians...

DG: Ten symphonic brass players and a choir of twenty...

RW: But the result is kind of a very direct attempt at hitting emotions, touching off emotional reactions with fairly ordinary sounds.

GS: Have you ever been invited to do anything with a symphony?

RW: Well, we've had our talks with people. But the economics of working with an orchestra are prohibitive.

DG: Like this thing we've got on the next album uses thirty musicians, which isn't a lot of musicians. But it cost us five thousand dollars a night to put it on.

RW: We're writing a ballet for Roland Petit which will be on in Paris next June, and the sky's the limit for that. They're spending so much money on that that they'd be quite willing to pay for an orchestra. But it might take it out of our hands to a certain extent if the stuff had to all be written down, because we can't write it down ourselves, and there's always a communication gap involved between what you can sing or play on a piano and what gets written down as music. And then you never hear it until you've got the orchestra there at the first rehearsal, and you probably only get two rehearsals anyway, so by the time you hear it, it's too late to change it; whereas our stuff is all based on doing something and then throwing out and using something else.

GS: So you'll probably be playing with the ballet yourselves...

RW: Yeah, it's going to be on for about ten days. Nureyev is dancing the male lead. On the program we're doing, we're doing one ballet and Xenakis is writing the other.

GS: A lot of people when talking about Pink Floyd use the term "cosmic"...

RW: Yeah, I know what you mean. That's the reaction we get from lots and lots of people, but I think the new album's going to come as something of a surprise, because it's not "cosmic." All they mean really are that the sounds we make evoke images of deep space.

DG: There are a lot of other things we do that do evoke quite strong images in the same way, but not about space.

GS: I wondered if there was some kind of philosophy about this in the group, or if it's just the audience's interpretation.

ROCK GROUP

RW: Not really. There is a general feeling, I suspect, in the group that music that really works is music

that touches your emotions and triggers off something unchanging, some kind of eternal response. Like, it's really difficult to describe your reactions to a piece of music that hits you, gives you a particular kind of feeling, a particular kind of feeling that transcends the normal ups and downs and ins and outs.

GS: How much equipment do you have? I heard a rumour that it was worth about a hundred thousand dollars.

IN THE

DG: That's probably a bit of an exaggeration. It's probably worth about thirty thousand dollars.

GS: Well, how many speaker systems do you have around the hall?

DG: We have a quadrisonic sound system around the hall, and there's a P.A. system which is quite powerful and we all have regular amps on stage.

GS: How are the four speakers in the hall used to augment what's on stage?

DG: Well, you can feed tape into them or you can feed the organ into them. You could feed the guitar or the vocal into them, but we don't because they're very hard to work like that.

GS: Who controls these effects?

DG: Richard, the organist, has a quadrisonic sound mixer on his organ, and he can play the organ and the sound around the auditorium as he's doing it. The tape recorder's operated by Pete, our road man.

GS: How did you pick up all these experimental effects and techniques? Did you learn them from anybody?

RW: No, they just happened, really. We just thought, "You ought to be able to do this," and then we went and saw somebody who knew something about electronics, and asked, "Is it possible?" Like the quadrisonic thing, we just went to one of the maintenance engineers at Abbey Road in London where we record, and we said, "Look, we want to do this. Can you build it?" and he said, "Yes," and he did.

GS: Has EMI said anything about releases on the new four-track tapes?

DG: EMI will do it when everyone else has done it. RW: They'll do it a couple of years after everyone else. They're so technically far behind the other studios.

GS: How many more albums are you under contract to them for?

RW: It's not a question of albums — we're under contract to them for another eighteen months.

GS: What then — will you be starting an independent label?

RW: We don't know. It depends. We might build our own studio.

GS: Have you played any pop festivals — like the one in Paris?

DG: This summer that's all we've done between our last American tour and this American tour — festivals. The Bath Festival, the Rotterdam Festival, two in France...

RW: One in Germany. Not many — about half a dozen. We haven't done any in the States. I don't like them.

GS: Why not?

RW: The sound is generally so bad, and there are too many people.

DG: The atmosphere is always very difficult for us, because we like people not to just think, "Well, here's the next group coming on," and then get straight into it, because it's very difficult to get straight into our music like that. We like to set an atmosphere. We like to have a place where we're the only people performing.

RW: I really don't like them because I know that I would never go to one as a member of an audience, because festivals aren't really all to do with music. It's a lot to do with camping out and all that stuff, and the music is just a common factor. It's very hard for people to hear it, or for everybody to hear it. I just think they're wrong conditions for listening... well, not wrong, but not the best conditions for listening to music.

GS: Is there much of a problem in Europe with opposition to paying to see rock festivals?

DG: There's a lot in France...

RW: It's much the heaviest in France. It's very heavy in Germany as well. In France they've had several festivals that just didn't go on because people tore them to pieces.

DG: One we were supposed to play at was wrecked...

RW: The first day. We weren't supposed to play until the second day.

DG: They broke down the stage, threw pianos off the stage, turned recording vans over, started to set fire to them...

RW: They did set fire to them. It was sponsored by Radio Luxembourg, and they had two vans recording, and they burned those. The promoters had got hold of a Yamaha grand piano and they smashed that to pieces

... Threw it off the edge of the stage.

GS: How do you feel about this as musicians?

RW: What? The music-should-be-free syndrome?

GS: Yeah.

RW: I think it's a bit unfortunate that these people pick on rock'n'roll as the start of their process to get rid of profit-oriented society, presuming that music is something they're interested in and something they enjoy. It would seem wiser if they picked on some other area where they wouldn't mind so much if the whole thing just stopped happening, because that's what they're doing — just stopping the things happening. It serves no function to come to a festival and tear it to pieces, shouting, "Music should be free!"

DG: They're not going to get music for free by doing something like that because it's totally impossible...

RW: Well, for a start, it completely alienates those who might possibly be in a position to give it to them for free. But it can't be free — it costs fortunes to put on festivals.

WORLD

DG: It costs us — just one band — to go and do a festival in the south of France, for instance, between two and three thousand dollars just to go and do it. And they shout that they want it for free and that they should pass a hat round for money, which in fact, they tried at one festival.

RW: Out of twenty thousand people...

DG: Thirty thousand people...

RW: They got about two hundred pounds...

DG: Which is like five hundred dollars. Out of thirty thousand people.

TODAY'

RW: That's why that particular festival broke down, because the promoters hadn't got any money to pay the next group which was going on, which was the Soft Machine, and the Soft Machine just refused to go on. And then they passed the hat around and collected two hundred pounds, and the Soft Machine still refused to go on, and then they tore everything to pieces. If they want music to be free — well, it can't be free. There's no such thing as fucking "free." Presumably what they mean is that it should be paid for out of government funds. At least that's what I assume they want.



Caravan

BY RICK MCGRATH

Writing eulogies is getting to be a pain in the ass. I've been doing some quick mathematical calculations and I've come to the shuddering conclusion that given the present rate of artist self-destruction, by the end of April, 1972, the only rock singer left of any influence will be Bobby Sherman. Meanwhile, God has lined up the heavies for his own boss hitbound rock fest. After all, he has been stuck with Buddy Holly for quite some time now.

Janis wouldn't want a sticky, smeary, sentimental trip down memory lane, filled with clever anecdotes, lavish praise, etc. She was first a woman, and great voice or not, she remained one of the most down-to-earth, no bullshit about it women on the rock stage. That was her myth, and she lived it to the fullest. Offstage, she created another myth about her little girl shyness, but it never blasted an audience like her explosive stage presence. No, not explosive... the most correct term is organic. She wrapped everything up in honest roots, and you believed her.

It's really a shame that she's gone, just like Hendrix. They made their marks in almost the same ways, and the fact that they were both superflash, vulgar, leering with sex and lust and fantasy only made them the more beautiful. She let herself go.

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Last week, last Wednesday in fact, this town was subjected to one of the best concerts I have ever heard. Pink Floyd played at the Gardens and the surprisingly large, surprisingly stoned crowd that made it certainly got off. Quig got an interview, so what's to say? Not much except if they ever come again, go see them.

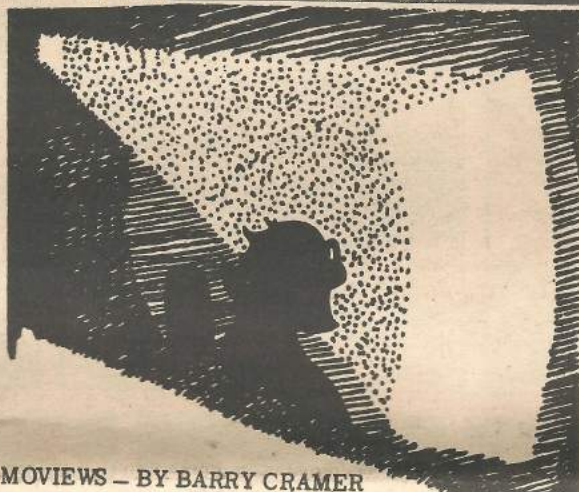
No, I didn't go see Grand Skunk Railway. What was the point? After all they're not the best band around and besides that, they were in the Agradome. I refuse to try and listen to music in a building whose acoustics were constructed with cows in mind. The Gardens or the Coliseum, udderwise I won't go.

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There are some great books out these days. One of them is getting old, but it's still worth reviewing. The name of it is ARFUR (Weidenfeld & Nicolson) and it was written by Nik Cohn. Basically the book relives the pop mythologies prevalent in the mid-sixties, and even if the story line was not interesting, the mythologies would be. Nothing is missed, and the inclusions are so numerous space does not allow it here. Cohn, already quite well known as a writer, has penned MARKET, AM STILL THE GREATEST, SAYS JOHNNY ANGELO, and POP FROM THE BEGINNING.

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Unknown super spiffy record received this week is a boss hitbound number entitled DEWEY MARTIN and MEDICINE BALL (UNI 73088) that is, without a doubt, a bit of a mother. Dewey plays drums and he's got a fine band with him doing all sorts of country-influenced stuff. Dewey is a Canadian Indian, if that makes any difference. The disc is good, so phone up 'LG FM and ask for a listen. Chances are...



MOVIEWS - BY BARRY CRAMER

DARKER THAN AMBER is another Hollycrap movie trading on the initial years-ago successes of Boston Blackie, Sam Spade, etc., obviously made in the tire-some hope that Rod Taylor starring as Travis McGee will capture the demediated minds of millions of fans so he will become another Harper (Paul Newman) or Bullitt (Steve McQueen) or Tony Rome (Frank Sinatra), etc., and star in a drearies of Travis McGee flicks. Why doesn't Taylor sell cigarettes or cars on TV? It would be easier and give him lots of money while egotripping through the mind fields of middle-trapped Americanada.

I only saw part of JOE ... I couldn't bear watching this dull, eyeandearitating attempt to, I suppose, show us a muddle-class, hard-hat-white-is-rite, short-haired, drugless alcoholic, Amerikman. How junk like this gets international distribution is, thankfully, beyond my understanding or interest.

PHANTOM

of The OPERA

by BRIAN GILES

BJ and I stumbled stoned into the Q.E. Theatre last Thursday night, past the alcohol vendors and into the nine-dollar seats amid tuxedos, furs and expensive dresses. And if that wasn't enough, they started playing an opera in front of us, Egyptian opulence, royal love-affairs among huge concrete blocks in the middle of the desert at blue midnight. Whooff! Somehow the rich have a morbid fascination for each other.

Between acts we tried to pull ourselves together and avoiding the trembling lines queuing up for the alcohol fix, determined that indeed, we were present at the V.O.A. production of Verdi's AIDA. The music was worth it - Verdi has a magic feel for melodic effect which Clarice Carson obviously appreciates. Nell Rankin as the King's daughter was also getting into her part strongly but the most successful characterization was Amonasro, the Ethiopian King, sung by Napoleon Bisson. His stage movements were dramatically convincing in contrast to the stylized woodenness of the others.

For the rest, the Vancouver Opera chorus sang superbly, the ballet seemed anachronistic, and the sets were powerful, making effective use of the Q.E.'s large stage area. But the musicians froze in their cramped, cold basement pit. Must feel like an Egyptian tomb.

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POWER & MEDIA - Mordecai Briemberg & Van. Street Theatre. 12:30, SUB aud., UBC, and 7, clubs lounge, SUB. FREE

FESTIVAL OF THE CONTEMPORARY ARTS - Special Event: "Scores" at 10:30, 11:30, 12:30, 1:30. Fifth of a weekly series of workshop lecture demonstrations. Frederic Lasserre Building Lobby, UBC

NOON CONCERT - The Baroque Strings at the Vancouver Art Gallery, FREE 12:10 to 12:50

GORDON LIGHTFOOT - At the Queen E. Theatre. Tickets at Van. Ticket Centre. 8:30 pm

THE SECRETARY BIRD - (Play) at the Queen E. Playhouse. Tickets at Van. Ticket Centre 8:30

THURSDAY 15:

SPEC - meets at 8 pm in Labour Temple, 307 W. Broadway. Speakers: Chief Dan George, Capilano Band on "The Vanishing Wilderness". John Massey on "Skagit Valley Controversy" and Dr. Robin Harger FREE

RUN FOR OFFICE - Burnaby Citizens Assn. nominations for municipal elections. 8 pm, Bby. Sec. school, 4939 Canada Way. FREE. Info: 522-5450.

SKAGIT VALLEY and other nature rapers: slide show, 8 pm Centennial Museum, Kitsilano Pt., FREE

VICTORIA READERS - "Crisis in the Environment, the social responsibility of Scientists," a talk by Walter Brogan director, Scientists' Institute for Public Information, New York. Elliot 167, U. Vic. 8 pm FREE

GORDON LIGHTFOOT - See Wednesday for details.

VANCOUVER SOLOISTS ENSEMBLE - (Chamber Music) at the Vancouver Art Gallery, 8:30 pm. Tickets 684-2488.

WAY OUT WEST - (Movie) 1937 Laurel & Hardy movie. One of the Laughter, Struggle & Change series at SFU. 12:30 noon in the theatre, and 8 pm in room 9200. 50¢

THREE MEN ON A HORSE - (Play) at the Metro Theatre. 8:30 pm. Tickets 266-7191. This runs until Oct. 24th

FRIDAY 16:

NOON POETRY READING - Ed Varney reads from his own works. Vancouver Art Gallery, 12:10 to 12:50 FREE

OLIVIER MESSIAEN - (Piano Concert). Along with his wife will play contemporary piano works of their own composition. At SFU theatre, 8:30 pm. Tickets at the Box Office.



THREE MEN ON A HORSE - See Thur. for details.

THE BOYS IN THE BAND - (Play) at the Colonial Magic Theatre, 8:30. Tickets at Vancouver Ticket Centre. It runs until Oct. 31st.

MUSIC - Olivier Messiaen, famous French composer, Teacher of Boulez and Stockhausen will give a concert of his works with his wife, Yvonne Loriod. SFU theatre, 8:30 pm. Reserved Seats \$2 Students \$1

IN DEFENCE OF THE PALESTINIAN REVOLUTION - Speaker: Peter Buch 8 pm, 1208 Granville St. \$1.00 Students and Unemployed 50¢ **GREENPEACE BENEFIT CONCERT** - (Joni Mitchell, Phil Ochs, Chilliwick) at PNE Coliseum, 8:00 p.m. \$3.00 General Admission. Help send the GREENPEACE to Amchitka to stop hydrogen bomb tests.

SATURDAY 17:

PEDESTRIAN MALL - (for clean air) centered at Robson and Hornby Streets. Begins at 7:30 a.m. Goes all day. Bring food, musical instruments, your own cup. SEE YOU THERE.

DISCUSSION - French composer Olivier Messiaen discusses his music in a seminar. (His works reflect religious faith, interest in birds, and studies in rhythm and colour). SFU Theatre 1:30 p.m. FREE

RUMMAGE SALE - at 10:00 am Auction at 1 pm, St. George's Church Hall, corner of 14th Ave. and Laurel St. Furniture, Clothes, Jewellery, Household items.

SUNDAY 18:

THE VANCOUVER SYMPHONY - (Concert) with James Oliver Buswell IV, Violin. Meredith Davies conducts works by Haydn, Prokofiev and Beethoven. Queen E. 2:30 pm, Tickets at the Van. Ticket Centre.

GUITAR - Dik Visser, Solo classical guitar recitalist from Holland, at the Metro Theatre, 1370 Southwest Marine Dr. at 8:30 pm, Tickets \$2.50 phone 299-2549.

HINDI FILM - At the Queen E Playhouse. 3 pm Tickets at the door. 434-8228 for further information.

MONDAY 19:

ARTS FESTIVAL - Today and every day this week. Student union building Art Gallery. Events there every noon hour and in SUB ballroom Tues, Thur and Fri noons FREE

THE VANCOUVER SYMPHONY - (Concert). See Sun. for details.

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NOON HOUR THEATRE - Upstairs at 804 West Pender. 12:10 and 1:10 pm Tickets \$1 at the door.

THE NEW AWARENESS: CANADIAN POETRY - This is the first of a number of programs being planned to integrate with the new CBC radio series, Print-On Air. For further information on the radio series, Print-On Air. MRS. JEAN MALLINSON 5 Mondays, beginning Oct 5, (no class Oct. 12) 1:30 - 3 pm, Kitsilano Public Library, MacDonald St & 8th Ave. \$10.00 Something is happening in Canada. A new interest, a growing pride, a different feeling for the country. There are now many voices in poetry in Canada and much variety of tone, style and content expressing in diverse ways a new awareness, a new sensitivity. The aim of this course is to learn to listen to the various voices of this poetry - the external space beyond the visual and inner spaces of silent reading.

CITY PLANNING - Speech by Dr. Edward Higbee, Prof. of land utilization, U. of Rhode Island. 8 pm Van. Library Auditorium FREE

RAP SESSION - on Educational and Action Projects of the Community Education and Research Centre 8 pm 509 Carrall St.

TUESDAY 20:

NOON CONCERT - John Loban violin and Frances Adaskin, piano, perform works by Debussy and Chausson. SFU Theatre 12:30 noon

NOON HOUR FILMS - New films by Canadian Film-makers Vancouver Art Gallery, 12:10 50¢. For further info call 684-2488.

noontime - DOWNTOWN Lectures - 1 hour 8 Tuesdays, beginning Oct. 7, 8 pm, Room 219, Buchanan Building, UBC. Series: \$12.00 (includes copies of lectures) Chairman for both series: Mr. Neil Burton, Faculty of Graduate Studies, UBC. For further information call 228-2181

WEDNESDAY 21:

POWER & POLITICS - Bennett's rip-off movie The Good Life, plus talk by Charlie Boylan. 12:30 in SUB aud., UBC and discussion group, 7 pm, Clubs lounge, SUB. FREE.

VANCOUVER WOMEN'S MUSICAL CLUB - (Concert). Quartet from the Vancouver Opera Association perform at the Queen E Playhouse at 11 am Tickets at the door.

NOON CONCERT - Jonathan Baker at the Vancouver Art Gallery. 12:10 to 12:50 FREE

NOON HOUR THEATRE - See Mon for details.

THE COLDSTREAM GUARDS & THE BLACK WATCH - The band of Her Majesty's own household brigade with Scotland's Black Watch Regiment brings an extravaganza of music marching and highland dancing. Pacific Coliseum. 8:30 pm Tickets at Famous Artists in the Bay. YIPPIE.



OTHER STUFF:

3 PART DRAMA PROGRAMME - is being offered at 1636 W. Broadway, from now until Dec. 12th. Classes are given for ages 8 to 12, 13 - 15 and 16 and up. Subjects include mime, movement, sensitivity games and improvisation plus basic acting skills. Adult course includes technique analysis using close circuit audio-visual facilities. For further information call 435-0047 or 736-9919.

FELLINI SATYRICON - at the Varsity Theatre 4375 W. 10th 7:30 and 9:40 pm and Sunday 2 pm (matinee) \$2.25. AMAZING??

THEORY AND PRACTICE OF HATHA YOGA 1) SESSIONS, Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning Oct. 13, 1:30 - 3 pm. Kitsilano Public Library, MacDonald & 8th Ave. \$23.00, Students \$18.00 An introductory course of Yoga for mind and body control with particular attention to body discipline, breathing control and relaxation. For a healthful approach to living in the modern world the course will emphasize the physical aspects of Hatha Yoga for body conditioning.

FINE ARTS GALLERY - presents two exhibitions from Oct 7 - 24, "Process Hyphen Product" conceived by Herb Gilbert and "Network 70". Gallery hours: Tuesday through Saturday 10:30 am to 5:00 pm; Tuesday evenings, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; closed Sunday, Monday and holidays. Basement of the Library Building, UBC

SIERRA CLUB OF B.C. - we are a conservation group. Live a life style, not a death style! Phone 224-6585.

Phone NOW - 736-7376 - any reason - anytime - for young people.

COOL-AID phone number 736-9971.

CHILDREN'S AID - day - 872-7711, night - 683-2474, 395 W. Broadway.

UNEMPLOYED CITIZENS WELFARE IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL - 731-0131 - walk in centre, 9-12 AM or 4 AM, 1726 W. 7th, side entrance. They will tell you of your welfare rights & will accompany you to the office if there is any problem.

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VIETNAM ACTION COMMITTEE - Office No.12, 2414 Main St., 879-7011. 11 AM-4 PM.

TRANSCENDENTAL MEDITATION - introductory talk every Tuesday 8 pm 2549 West 41st 266-0862

FREE VD CLINIC: 828 W 10th, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday-Friday and 306 Abbott Street, 3rd floor, 2:30 p.m. Monday-Friday and Cool-Aid Thurs. 6:30 p.m.

SPEC - 44 W.6th Ave. - 876-4131.

BIRTH CONTROL COUNSELLING - appointments only 872-2421.

SPEAK-EASY - room 234 in SUB. Mon - Fri. 11:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. Phone 228-3700

DRUG INFORMATION CENTRE (Calgary) - 266-1605.

VICTORIA COOL-AID - phone 383-1951 any time.

Victoria Free Clinic, Mondays, 8 pm, First United Church Hall Legal and Medical Help.

"Immigration Aid to Refugees of Conscience" - Help find housing, employment, give counselling to American immigrants - 949 W. 49th Ave. Van 13

YOUTH ACTION SERVICE - meet friends/discuss community action/free legal and medical aid/birth control and other information/Sunday to Thursday/7 to 10 PM/950 West 41 Ave./266-2396.

FREE ABORTION COUNSELLING SERVICE, 383-7922, Victoria. If no answer, call again.

Zero Pop. Growth (Vanc. chapter) 2408 Parkes Road, Van. 8, B.C.

Vancouver Zen Centre, 139 Water Street, Meditation: Tues & Thurs - 7:30 pm, Sat. 8:00 am.

Japan "Peace for Vietnam" Committee (Beheiren) TEL(03) -267-2471, Kagurazaka, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo, Japan.

KAMLOOPS Coffeehouse & crash pads, 411 West Victoria St., Kamloops, B.C.

HELP YOURSELF

ABORTION COUNSELLING - Simon Fraser - 11:30-2:30 - Thurs. in Room 309 in the Rotunda.

GEORGIA STRAIGHT - 688-3686.

VANCOUVER FREE UNIVERSITY - 879-5931 days; 879-7856 evenings, weekends.

MEDICAL AID - 8 PM Monday and Wednesday, free, Cool-Aid, 1822-West 7th.

HELP - is as close as the phone 24 hours a day - 733-4111, Crisis Centre.

IN-SIGHT - North Shore help for young people (and other people) in need. Call 926-5481 any time.

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GRAPEHOUSE 2160 Columbia, 876-5668.

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BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU - 682-2711.

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